



Lady Crescents seek soccer repeat!

Reigning state soccer champs, the OLA Lady Crescents, go for the gold again at Clinton.

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Nereids Mardi Gras Ball

The royal pageantry continues at the Krewe of Nereids' 35th annual Bal Masque.

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Boil water at Jourdan River

A boil water advisory was issued Friday for those who get their drinking water from the Jourdan River Shores Water system. Spokesman Steve Jones said the notice was issued as a precautionary action because the system lost pressure during equipment failure.

Cuevas calls for 'town hall' meet

Jay Cuevas, Supervisor of District 5 in Hancock County, invites residents of his District south of Interstate 10 to a town meeting. The meeting is to inform residents about sewerage progress and other issues is scheduled for 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14 at the Civic Center on Longfellow Road.

Heart health at Armand's, HMC

Hancock Medical Center will present a "For Your Health" lunch at Armand's. Cardiologist Sergio Barrios will discuss preventive cardiac health. For reservations, please call 467-8727.

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Artwork courtesy of Penn National Gaming/Casino Magic Bay St. Louis
An artist's rendering of the Casino Magic Bay St. Louis grounds after a proposed 300-room hotel is completed. Plans also include potentially building a second high-rise hotel tower at the site.

Casino Magic to begin 300 room, 14-story hotel addition

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Penn National Gaming, Inc., announced today that it intends to move forward with a \$35 million upgrade of its Casino Magic Bay St. Louis property.

Planned improvements include a new 300-room hotel adjacent to the casino, a complete remodel of its buffet restaurant, and a remodel of the casino, to include escalators and a new elevator.

Groundbreaking for the new hotel is anticipated to occur in the second quarter of 2001 and will include approximately nine deluxe suites and 46 junior suites. Amenities include 10,000 square feet of conven-

tion space with breakout rooms, a 24-hour restaurant, retail space, separate group and VIP check-in areas, a pool and deck area, arcade, and a spa and fitness center.

"We anticipate that the new projects will create an additional 200 to 300 more jobs for Hancock County. Currently, Casino Magic Bay St. Louis employs over 1,250 people. It is also expected that the upgrades will generate additional gaming taxes, property taxes and tourism taxes for the state and local governments and the area school district," said General Manager, Todd J. Raziano.

The 14-story hotel tower is potentially the first of two hotel towers for the property.

"The new hotel plans are designed in such a manner that future expansion can be easily accomplished to meet growth needs," said Raziano.

Currently, Casino Magic Bay St. Louis offers a 201-room hotel on property. Officials note that the existing hotel will



Casino Magic Bay St. Louis as it exists now.

remain in operation, giving the property a combined total of approximately 500 rooms.

"Guests will have the option to choose between two levels of accommodations and pricing. They may choose the new higher-end hotel or the more moderately priced hotel. We believe that our market can support

both levels of accommodations," said Raziano.

Guests will notice most immediately a three-month, \$2 million buffet remodeling project. Plans are to increase the number of seats and to create a new atmosphere centered

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Sheriff sued for inmate's escape

Plaintiff claims he was injured in get-away

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

The Hancock County Sheriff's Department and the county itself have been named as co-defendants in a suit filed last week by a Harrison County man who claims he was escaped in 1999 when an inmate slammed a sheriff's cruiser into his car.

Gulfport attorney Kelly Michael Rayburn filed the action in Hancock Circuit Court last week on behalf of Rodger Sims, described in the complaint only as "an adult resident of Harrison County."

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Pass out of Palace dispute

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

The Palace in the Pass can continue operating as a reception hall on East Scenic Drive, but its ultimate fate may be decided in Harrison County Circuit Court.

Owners P.J. Hughes and her

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Echo Staff Photo By Benne Shallbetter
St. Rose de Lima Catholic Choir delighted the audience at Stennis Space Center's 22nd Annual Black History Celebration on Thursday. The choir opened the program, and also gave a performance after the guest speaker.

Black History Month Celebration at Stennis explores rich culture, explodes stereotype

BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Anyone within earshot of StennisSphere Auditorium on Thursday was drawn into the room by the joyful sound of the St. Rose de Lima Choir, who's performance opened the John C. Stennis Space Center's 22nd Annual Black History Celebration.

"If we had played a tape of the choir in the cafeteria for a week before this event, we would have had to rent a larger

hall to fit in all the people," said Center Director Roy Estess, in praise of the Choir.

The celebration, a half-day event, included music, speakers, and interpretive drama. The guest speaker was Dr. Joel Freeman, author of Return to Glory, the Powerful Stirring of the Black Man: A White Man's Journey Through Black History.

Freeman began his lecture with a reminder that Egypt, seat of one of the ancient world's most highly-evolved civilizations, was in Africa. "A lot of

the time, when people think of Egypt they think of the Middle East," Freeman said. "But Egypt is in Africa, these accomplishments were made by Africans."

Freeman took the audience on a journey through ancient Egypt, presenting slides of pharaohs of the many dynasties while pointing out the African features on the statues of their likenesses. Freeman also pointed out that at a genetic level, we

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Carnival is a family tradition for former Mardi Gras queens

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

"We're going to start out by telling you the first things we remember," said Alvina Nichols. "And the first things we remember are the Indian Parades when we were kids, when the Moss Man (a man covered head to toe in Spanish Moss) would jump at the kids and scare them to death."

The Indian parades were put on by the 100 Men's Benevolent Association, said Nichols, and they put on a Carnival Ball too in the 100 Men's Hall. Nichols said her parents loved Mardi Gras, especially her father James "Sun" Rosemond.

"He would start weeks ahead getting his Indian wig ready," Nichols said. "By stealing just a little bit of hair from a bunch of horses tails, that's what it was made of, and my mother would spend weeks making her dress."

"Everyone would work on practicing for the parade on what used to be Easy Street, and is now Karen Street, it was just a little alley," said Nichols. "They would practice all night long, every night, right before carnival."

"Daddy never missed carnival," said Nichols. "Not even the year my brother Cornell was born on carnival day ... he waved to my mother when the parade went by our house on Sycamore Street and then got up on the stage at the 100 Men's Ball and announced the birth of his son."

Katherine Ishem, herself, had two of her four children on carnival day, Marilyn in 1948 and Edward in 1954. "So I had to miss the parades those years," Ishem said.

But the ladies haven't missed many carnivals and both say that as long as they can get out to enjoy the day, they will.

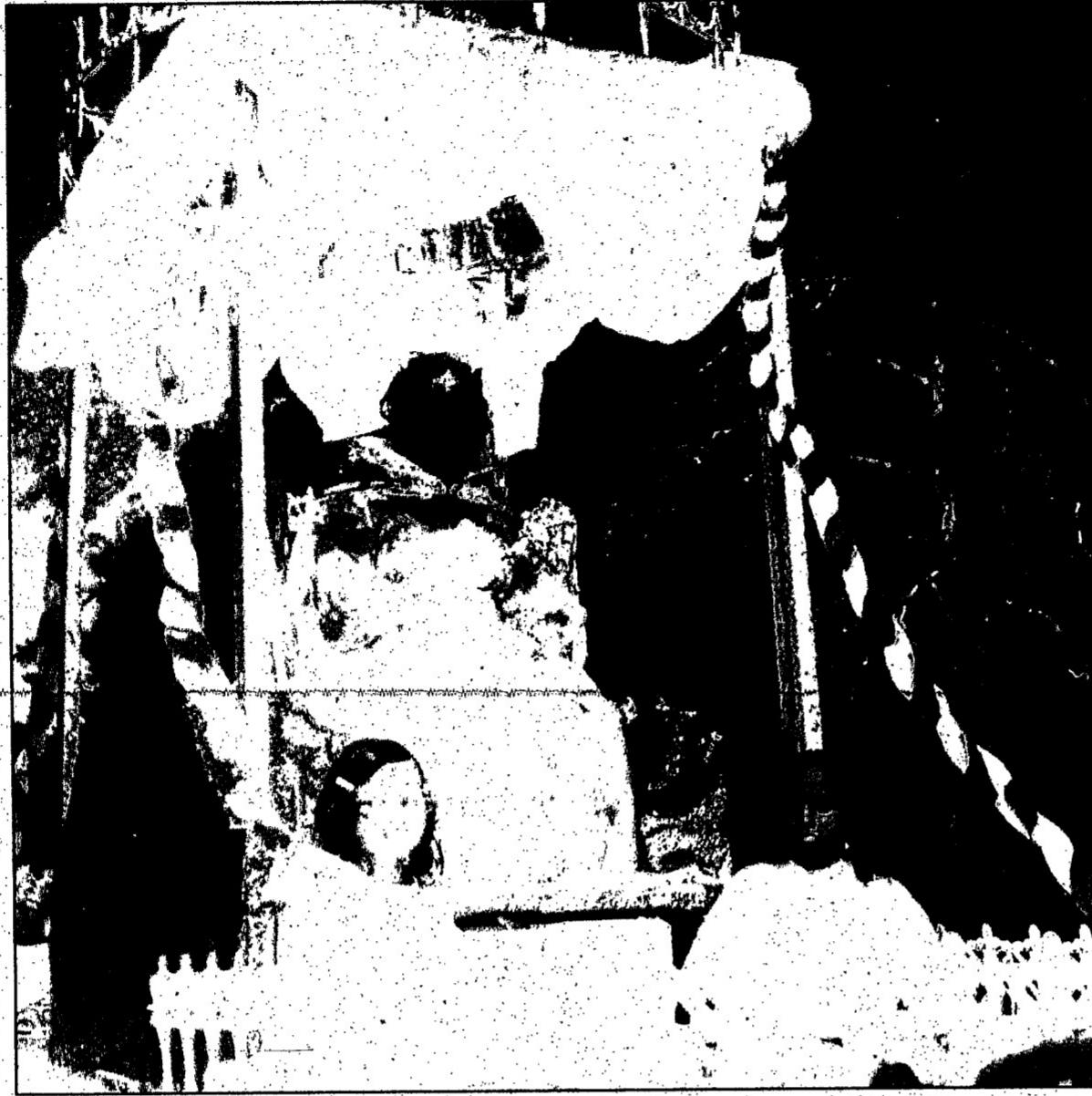
"My daddy loved carnival in New Orleans too," said Nichols. "He would load as many kids in the car as he could and we would set out on the old highway early in the morning ... sometimes our old car would have flat after flat and it would take us all day to get there, but we had many friends in New Orleans and we would stay a day or two."

"I used to drag my kids in on the train," said Ishem. "We would walk all over town and see parade after parade ... one of my daughters still blames me for all that walking, she said it ruined her feet, can you imagine."

After a childhood filled with carnival, both ladies said they kind of just inherited the tradition, one, they say, they have passed on to their children and hope that their children will keep passing on. "We think it's an important part of the fun in life, and should be passed on," said both.

The ladies also shared the throne of the Krewe of Merry Makers, Nichols in 1973 and Ishem in 1974. But we never competed against one another for Queen, always against someone else.

The ladies said that it was



Krewe of Merry Makers Queen Katherine Ishem and her pages Merinda Williams and Chyra Labat on the float Ishem constructed herself in 1974.



Krewe of Merry Makers 1st Queen Alvina Nichols and King Wilbert Dorsey Sr. ride behind the queen's float in 1974.

traditional for the queen to design and make her own dress and float and that the years they were queen, that's exactly what they did. We would work all night for days, sometimes putting on the finishing touches just before jumping on the float to leave for the parade.

"And for weeks before all of us would go from house to house helping with the various floats, we all worked together," the ladies said.

"I would spend weeks gathering butcher paper to make skirts on the floats and then the children would all gather to color it, after that I would gather it on the sewing machine," said Ishem.

After being up all night and

parading all day, people would head down to The Crack by the Track, an establishment that would have food and drink ready for all, a traditional ending to yet another great carnival and a tradition that still goes on today.

These days Nichols and Ishem participate in the Krewe of Real People and they are looking forward to carnival just as excitedly as they ever did.

"Maybe we can leave real early and catch the Zulu Parade in New Orleans," said Nichols. "And still get back in time for the parade here."

"I think we can," said Ishem. "Let's see who wants to go."



Katherine Ishem and Alvina Nichols today, at Save Our Children, where Ishem teaches and Nichols serves as board member.

Black History Month at Depot

The Eighteenth Annual Thomas P. Clarke Memorial Black History Month Program sponsored by the Hancock County Branch of the NAACP will be held on Sat., Feb. 24 at 1 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis Train

Depot. Children 9 to 19 wishing to participate in the oratorical contest must register on or before Feb. 17 by calling Donna Holton at 466-0973 or Goldie Fairconnet at 467-4126.

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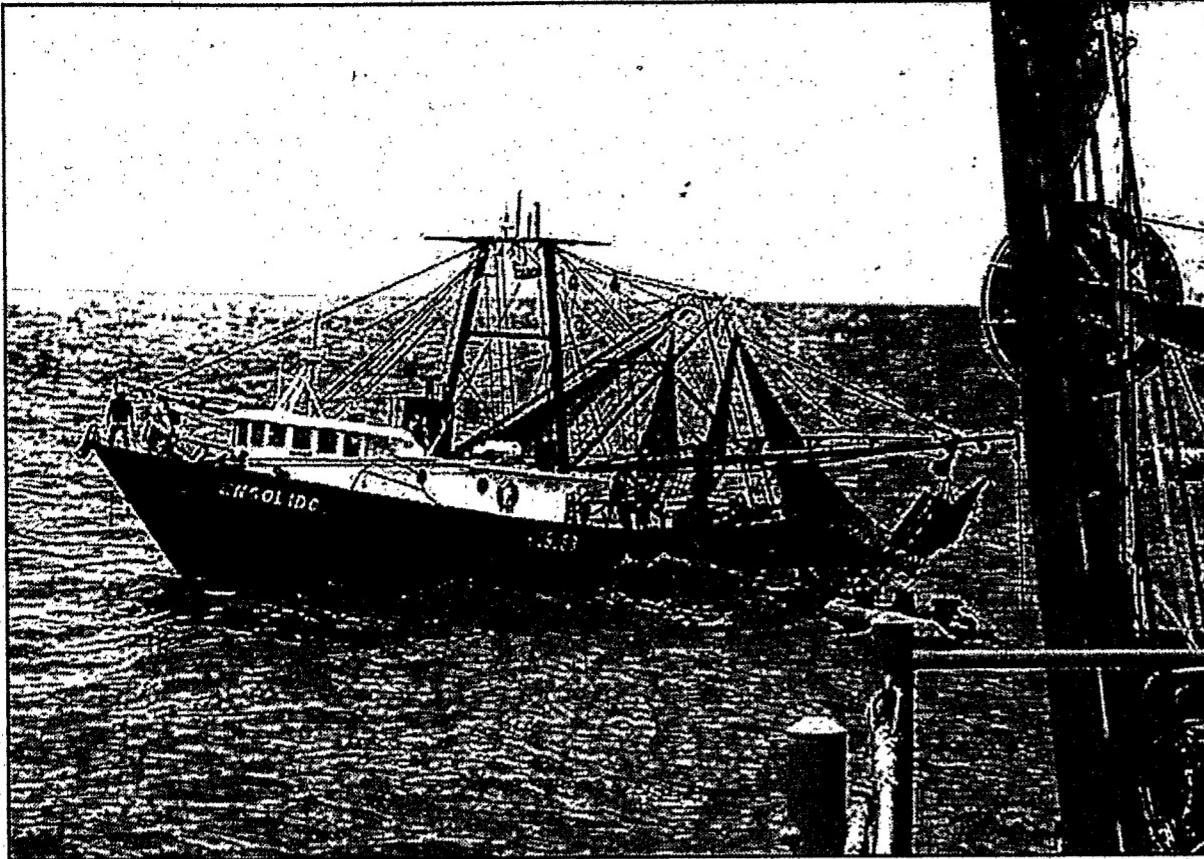


Photo courtesy of the U.S. Coast Guard
Bay St. Louis native and St. Stanislaus graduate Ensign Robert Williams is among U.S. Coast Guard crewmen aboard the USS Warrior who rescued a group of commercial fishermen who were about to drown last month when their boat began to sink.

Bay native aids dramatic Texas Coast Guard rescue

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

"They're not going to make it," was Engineman First Class Petty Officer (Surface Warfare) Miguel Rodriguez's first thought when he saw the fishing vessel that had put out the distress call. Two thirds of Ensolido's main compartments were flooded, and the aft deck was underwater and the ship was visibly sinking.

Damage Control Assistant Ens. Robert Williams said that if USS Warrior (MCM 10) had reached the stranded vessel 30 minutes later, it would have been too late.

Williams is the son of Gerald and Mariana Williams, of Bay St. Louis, and is a 1994 graduate of St. Stanislaus High School.

"The entire crew came together as a team when it counted the most," said Boatswain's Mate Senior Chief Petty Officer (Surface Warfare) James Campbell, the leading chief petty officer, "and the Warrior pride showed through."

USS Warrior was conducting routine training approximately 30 miles off the Corpus Christi coast. Sonar Technician Chief Petty Officer (Surface Warfare) Kevin Guy was Officer of the Deck Underway during mid-watch very early Tuesday morning, Jan. 9, when he heard the Coast Guard responding to a

fishing vessel's distress call. The Coast Guard told the boat that the soonest they could get to their location was in 2.5 hours. Guy directed the quartermaster to plot the route and found Warrior was 1.5 hours from the stranded vessel. Guy woke up the captain, Lt. Cmdr. Rick Polk, who made the call to respond.

"I then told the Coast Guard we would respond," Guy said.

"We went to four bells," Patterson added, "and under Chief Guy's leadership we made it within the time limit."

Everyone agrees that the Warrior crew pulled together and worked hard. "No one got to sleep," Williams said.

The Coast Guard had sent a helicopter to Ensolido, the stranded 72-foot shrimp boat out of Brownsville, Texas, and had dropped two P-1 pumps to the three crew members aboard. However, they couldn't get the pumps to work.

It took a few hours but the R&A team was able to completely de-water one of the two flooded compartments and get the water level in the storage compartment to about 3.5 feet.

"We found the first hole on the rudder post and were able to fix that," Williams said. "We were hoping to find all the leaks, fix them and send them on their merry way."

But Williams added the ship's shaft couldn't turn.

"The leak was under water and the debris in the storage compartment made the water as thick as soup. When I asked the captain to turn the shaft, the second compartment reflooded six to eight feet. That's when we knew the leak was in the stuffing box," Williams said.

Trying to pump water out of the storage compartment was very difficult because the fishermen had a week's worth of their food and bait stored, and two day's catch in the compartment.

Plus the pallets that everything was stored on were floating in the thick "soup," plunging back and forth, acting like spears and damaging the de-watering equipment.

The R&A team made more than 60 passenger transfers between Warrior and the stranded fishing vessel. Also, the towing team prepared to tow the stranded vessel in only 30 minutes -- a process that takes several hours.

Warrior ended up towing Ensolido to Port Aransas where they had repairs made.

The next day, Thursday, Jan. 11, the shrimpers waved to Warrior as they came through the ship channel on their journey back to Brownsville.

Waveland approves road project

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Let the paving begin! That's what Waveland Aldermen voted unanimously to do at Tuesday's meeting. The funds for the project to pave McLauren Street from Old Spanish Trail to St. Joseph Street were approved by aldermen months ago. Ward 2 Alderman Ricky Geoffrey made the motion to go forward with the project.

The street has been slated for repaving for many months, originally scheduled to be done after the completion of the Waveland Community Homes project which was finished over a year ago. One of the reasons that the project was on hold was concern over a line that would need to be installed crossing McLauren at Old Spanish Trail to bring wastewater from Bay St. Louis to Southern Regional, Ray Eaton said at the meeting.

Police urge extra caution during Child Safety Week

The Bay St. Louis Police Department would like to remind everyone that National Child Passenger Safety Week is next week, Feb. 11-17. All area law enforcement agencies will put on extra patrols to check for the use of seat belts and child restraints in vehicles. Area schools will be making checks for children arriving at and leaving school. Police ask that you buckle up yourself and your children for safety's sake.

Babe Ruth team registration

The Bay St. Louis Babe Ruth Baseball League has extended registration dates to include the following:

- Wednesday, Feb. 14.
- Monday, Feb. 19.
- Wednesday, Feb. 21.
- Wednesday, Feb. 28.

All registration will take place from 5:30 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis Baseball Complex.

share the same genetic map, as revealed in a U.S. News and World Report in January. Freeman suggested that the popular interpretation of Egyptians as white could be equated to the modern notion that a drop of Negro blood makes you black. "Maybe in ancient Egypt, a drop of Caucasian blood made you white," Freeman suggested. Freeman left the audience with a question to ponder: "Do

you remember the moment when you realized that because of the color of your skin the rules were somehow different for you?"

He read a poem, author unknown, about a little black boy who had visited Baltimore and been called a "nigger." The poem ended with the lines: "And though I was there from May to December, of all the things I did and saw, that is all that I remember."

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OPINION



Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

Whenever zoning or zoning changes are on tap for a governmental body to act upon, usually there are many different ways folks want things to go.

For sure, this is a problem facing the Bay St. Louis Council which has been trying to address zoning issues for the properties annexed prior to Casino Magic moving into the city.

Eventually a decision is going to have to be made to solve the problem. They will have to come up with a zoning which is agreeable to most parties concerned. The way things have been going over the years, there is no way to please everyone.

Zoning can become complicated, and I feel the zoning of the last annexed section by Bay St. Louis can spell the word complicated with a capital c.

Hopefully things will work out in the best interest of everyone.

Mardi Gras season is now in full swing, and lots of parades are on tap for the weeks ahead.

Saturday, February 17, the annual Krewe of Kids parade will roll on Dunbar Avenue in Bay St. Louis.

This is a parade for the youngsters, and no motorized vehicles are allowed. The parade begins at 11 a.m.

There will be youngsters in wagons, wheel barrows, tricycles, bicycles, etc. It is always good to see the youngsters, and they have a grand time at the Krewe of Kids Parade.

Lisa Coward, Krewe of Kids long-time captain, is hoping for a large turnout of the general public for this parade.

On Sunday, February 18, the annual Krewe of Nereids, followed by the Krewe of Eros and Krewe of Hancock, is scheduled for 1 p.m. on Highway 90 in the Waveland-Bay St. Louis area.

This spectacular Mardi Gras parade seems to grow each year, and it brings thousands and thousands of out-of-town visitors.

The ladies of Nereids work very hard throughout the year in preparation for the big Mardi Gras parade. A lot of time, effort and expense goes into a Mardi Gras parade.

Still to come in the immediate area is the Krewe of Diamondhead Land Parade, Pass Christian parade and the Krewe of Real People parade which will be on Mardi Gras Day, February 27.

We will be giving you more information as the parade days near.

Congratulations are in order for the Hancock County Food Pantry upon receiving the United Way of South Mississippi's Small Agency of the Year Award.

The Food Pantry is one of the most unique agencies providing a very necessary service to our community.

It is an all-volunteer organization involving members from several area churches, and they have been working together for the past 16 years. The Food Pantry has had some great leadership over the years and good community support.

Under the current leadership of president Aileen Sauzer, the Food Pantry provides food for deserving families on an emergency basis.

The Food Pantry is an agency of the United Way of South Mississippi and also receives funding and food donations from many of the area's churches, civic organizations, families, postal mail carriers, etc.

Congratulations are in order for the Food Pantry's officers, directors, volunteers and anyone and everyone who makes some type of contribution.

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Mississippi's Archaic Transportation Commission has defied reform

Mississippi's archaic elective Highway Commission – renamed the state "Transportation Commission" in the 90s – has defied reform, even while three commissioners, and an executive director, were hauled off to jail on corruption charges.

There suddenly is some hope in the Legislature that at last the practice of electing three commissioners by districts to oversee the state's highway program – a gigantic version of the old county "beat" system – will be ditched and replaced by a governor-appointed authority headed by a professional manager. Mind you, we're the only state in the U.S. which still elects a commission to run its highway system.

Amazingly, last week the Mississippi House – long the graveyard of attempts to abandon the system of electing commissioners to run the state's highway program – overwhelmingly approved a bill to do it by year 2004.

Obviously, there were some king-sized conversions to the appointive system among old-time House highway leaders who formerly opposed the idea.

A key convert: Rep. Billy McCoy (D-Rienzi), the pit-boss in pushing through the 1987 four-lane "corridor" highway program, who had always defended elected commissioners, and is now appalled that the commission is far behind on the program and wants more money.

"I take no joy in doing this," he confided in casting his vote for the House bill.

Not good signs over in the Senate, however that reform of the state's politically powerful

highway dinosaur is about to become a reality.

Sen. Bob Dearing (D-Natchez), who heads the Senate

Transportation Committee, sent sig-

nals he will bottle it up in his committee.

Dearing, a Natchez

insurance agent, has

warm ties to the old

highway commission

regime.

Dearing had invented the new Senate "one-man" committee scheme, calling his visits to nearby MDOT district offices "committee meetings."

Of course, he could then put in for a couple

days per diem allowance, which

is now up to around \$95 a day.

Practically every governor since Hugh White in 1936 has tried – and failed – to put control of the state's highway policy-making body under the governor's executive authority, and responsible to the governor, instead being picked in a grabbag, political popularity contest at the ballot box.

Actually, White was the only one to have some success, managing to suspend the elective commission for three years back in the late 1930's when Mississippi launched its first hard-surfaced highway construction program.

During that short period, under a director appointed by White (dubbed his "highway czar," by critics) the state built more and better quality highways than it has at any time since.

But by 1940 after White's

term ended, the old elective

Highway Commission system

was resurrected and it has lived a charmed life ever since.

This, despite four major league scandals that rocked the commission over the last two decades:

First, the commission's highly-touted executive director, ex-state Rep. E. L. Boteler, convicted in 1978 for dipping in the highway till.

Since then, three commissioners have

gone down – Shag Pyron in 1987 for sale of bogus oil and gas interests; Bob Joiner in 1988 for taking road

contractors and, likewise, Sam Waggoner in 1990.

Gov. Bill Allain tried to force reform of the state's highway authority amidst the mid-1980's scandal, briefly taking over the commission's finances by executive order. But his order was set aside by a court order, and afterwards the Legislature failed to enact his reform proposals.

Even, Kirk Fordice, though himself a former road and bridge contractor, surprisingly in the mid-1990s called for an end to election of transportation commissioners. It fell on deaf ears.

While Gov. Ronnie Musgrove has indicated he favors changing the elective system, he provided no impetus to backers of the House-passed reform measure. Insiders said it grew out of brewing "general dissatisfaction" with highway progress under MDOT which now spends at least \$1 billion a year.

Commission critics have long maintained that splitting state highway funds three ways

among the three district commissioners has been a political spoils system much akin to county supervisors divvying up their money by "beats."

As a consequence, Mississippi has never been able to carry out a major highway building program statewide on a first-needed, priority basis.

The newly-passed House measure, pushed by House Transportation Chairman Rep. J.P. Comprett (D-Bay St. Louis), along with his highway study committee, calls for a five-member commission appointed by the governor for six-year terms and confirmed by the Senate, beginning in January, 2004.

The commission chairman would be required to have a masters degree in business or public administration and 10 years experience in management.

He would be the chief executive and policy-making officer of the Mississippi Transportation Commission, and would name a professional engineer as deputy commissioner, who would serve as the department's operating chief.

While the chairman would be a full-time officer, the other four commissioners, named according to residence in each of the state's congressional districts, would be deemed "associates," sharing in policy-making but on a part-time basis.

Specifically, the bill prohibits any holdovers from the present MDOT regime to be appointed by the governor to top posts in the new Transportation Commission. Initially, the chairman would be named to a six-year term, other commissioners to staggered terms, and eventually, to six-year terms.

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Q May a school district enter a hunting and fishing lease of sixteenth section land that permits any primary or secondary uses of the land other than hunting and fishing?

A There is no statutory authority for leasing sixteenth section forest lands for any purpose other than hunting and fishing. Additionally, there is no statutory authority for allowing uses of this leased land for sec-

ondary purposes.

The only acceptable activities are hunting and fishing and activities in relation thereto. (Attorney General's opinion to Adams dated December 21, 2000)

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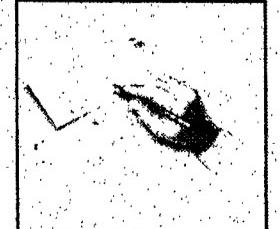
Q May a municipality sell to a law enforcement officer his/her municipal owned personal sidearm?

A Yes, if he/she is retiring from a state-approved retirement system. § 45-9-13(1)

Letters to the Editor

Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



Black announces for mayor of Bay St. Louis

Tad Black, councilman of Ward 4, City of Bay St. Louis, has announced his candidacy for mayor of Bay St. Louis. He has served on the Bay St. Louis City Council since 1993 and has been elected president of the council twice.

Black, 42, is a life-long resident of Bay St. Louis and a graduate of Bay High School and Pearl River Community College. Black is a telecommunications specialist at Mason Technologies. He has been employed there since 1982. He is the son of Jerry and Pat Seuzeneau and the father of four children, Marshall, Brie, Reni, and Abram.



Tad Black

Black first became involved in politics over 15 years ago. He started by becoming a block captain in his Neighborhood Watch program. Then he became more involved in the planning and zoning issues affecting his ward.

"I have always had a drive for improving our community. I realized what a difference I was making by just getting involved. Whether it was our Neighborhood Watch program or going to planning and zoning meetings to ensure the quality of our neighborhood was not compromised."

"The more I got involved the more my thirst for improving our city grew. I realized if I can make a difference by just becoming a concerned citizen, think about what a difference I could make if I held a more active and committed role in our local government. That is when I decided to run for city councilman for Ward 4."

"During the past eight years I have not only fought for the residents of Ward 4 but also the entire city of Bay St. Louis. My commitment to you as mayor of Bay St. Louis is to create a city that all people would want to call home," said Black.

Carrigee receives certifications

Bill Carrigee, building official for the City of Bay St. Louis, has just received his certifications as commercial plumbing plans examiner and chief plumbing code analyst.

Carrigee has been with the city since 1993, in that time he has received certifications as certified floodplain manager, certified building official and 15 other certifications in code-related fields.

He will take his final certification exams this year to achieve his commercial electrical inspector and commercial electrical plans examiner certifications.

When completed he will receive his certification as code enforcement and administration professional, which is the highest certification possible in the code enforcement profession.

Carrigee also sits on committees for Southern Building Code Council — they are the Mississippi Contractors Test Validation Committee; he is vice chair of the Code Interpretation Committee and a member of the Building Design Committee.

He has also been elected to sit on the International Code

Bill Carrigee

Council committees — they are International Residential Plumbing and Mechanical Code action committee and International Property Maintenance and Housing Inspector Committee.

Carrigee has served as president of the Building Officials Association of Mississippi, president of the Mississippi Coast Building Officials Association and is presently the president of Association of Floodplain Managers of Mississippi.

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Gem Society officers

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Essay winner

Valdez Holland, second grade student in Leslie Brown's classroom at North Bay Elementary, received a second place award for his essay on Dr. Martin Luther King's vision for humanity. The contest was part of a coastwide celebration of Dr. King's birthday. Valdez is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Haynes of Bay St. Louis.



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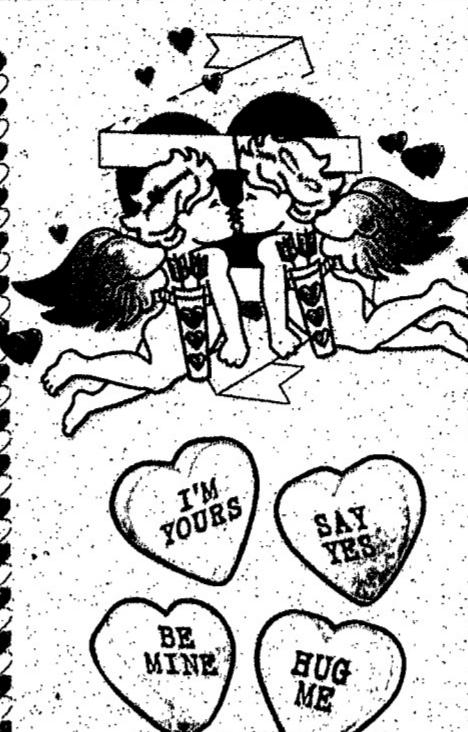
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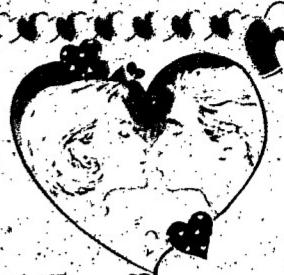
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Palace -- city can't get involved

son, Randy Tuggle, came before Mayor Billy McDonald and the Board of Aldermen Tuesday night to see if the city could overturn a recent decision by the Zoning Board of Adjustment. After a hearing in January, three members of the five-person zoning board ruled the operation was in violation of the zoning ordinance despite the fact the new owners had already spent thousands restoring what was formerly the old VFW Hall.

At Tuesday night's meeting of the Board of Aldermen, the owners were supported by members of the Pass Christian Garden Club and other citizens, who recently waged a petition campaign supporting the business and asking the mayor and aldermen to allow the operation to continue. Tuggle said they had gathered more than 800 signatures of support within four days.

The Palace owners were represented by Long Beach attorney Frank McCreary III. He asked the mayor and city aldermen to request a re-hearing of the issue before the Zoning Board, but also noted he has filed a notice to the board that he intends to appeal the decision to the Harrison County Circuit Court.

McDonald told McCreary, "We're leaning to your situation, but we don't have the authority."

City attorney Malcolm Jones said the legislation creating the Zoning Board of Adjustment in 1969 made it an autonomous board, not subject to being reversed by the Board of Aldermen. He said the only option available was to appeal

to Circuit Court.

Ward 3 Alderman Michael Antoine let the audience know his feelings: "I'm not leaning. I'm all for this project. I don't know how (the issue) it got here," he said.

He noted the three commissioners went against the project even though Jones had given two opinions, citing cases where courts have ruled the non-conforming use enjoyed by the VFW would pass on to the new owners, thus allowing them to operate a reception hall. For years, the VFW held parties, dances and fundraisers in the building and it operated a small bar at the rear of the building.

Antoine noted the legislation creating the zoning board states members can be removed from office after a public hearing showing "good cause."

Ward 2 Alderwoman Margaret Jean Kalif asked Jones whether aldermen could pass a resolution asking the Zoning Adjustment Board to re-hear the case.

Jones said the board could, but the resolution would be non-binding and would not have the effect of an order to re-hear the case.

Asked what happens now, Jones told Kalif the Zoning Board of Adjustments meets again on Feb. 16.

If it approves minutes of its earlier meeting where it ruled against the Palace, the aggrieved owners can then file a motion to appeal to circuit court.

Emerson moved to follow the city attorney's advice and let the case proceed to circuit court. He was supported by Ward 4 Alderman Don Moore,

and ultimately, the three other aldermen.

Moore said he felt a resolution from the board "is not going to prevent an appeal from one side or the other. It's going to court anyway."

Jones told Kalif, for now, the decision of the Zoning Board of Adjustment is stayed. "That means the Palace can continue operating," he explained.

Antoine asked Jones to look up the regulations for removing members of the Board of Zoning Adjustments. "I intend to pursue it," he said.

In the January meeting, commissioners Steve Kohn, Ned Boudreux and Ernest L. Burdette found the Palace was

in violation of the zoning ordinance. New member Catherine Myers recused herself because she was not on the board to participate in the initial discussion. Commissioner Willie Cox voted in favor of the Palace.

Opponents, led by Patricia Justice and Pat Mowry, have contended the reception hall would attract more traffic and noise into the residential neighborhood and devalue property.

Supporters said the new owners saved and beautifully restored what was a deteriorating, historic building on Scenic Drive, and the citizens of the community need such a facility to accommodate a host of functions.

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Suit

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According to the text of the suit, on Nov. 6, 1999, Sims "was traveling eastbound on Hwy. 90 at the intersection of Pratt Ave. in Gulfport ... when his vehicle was struck from behind by a Hancock County Sheriff's Department patrol car.

"The driver of the ... patrol car was an inmate ... who escaped from the Hancock County Detention Center using the stolen patrol car."

The complaint further charges that the inmate had been drinking prior to the accident, and had, in fact, become intoxicated while incarcerated in the Hancock County Justice Facility.

The suit does not mention inmate Alton Parker by name, although he had escaped earlier that evening.

Parker, 29, had been serving a 13-year prison term for burglary and carrying a concealed weapon. At the time of the escape, Nathan Hoda — then chief deputy under Sheriff Ronnie Peterson's administration — said that Parker had been among 30 trustees grouped together in a large holding cell at the Justice Facility.

"Apparently," Hoda said, "someone smuggled some booze

into the jail."

Hoda said Parker had asked to be released from the cell in order to get some ice and, once outside, he broke into a storage shed and grabbed the keys to an unmarked white Ford Crown Victoria used by detectives.

Parker then signaled to dispatch to unlock the gate and took off, Hoda said. He was captured later that evening by Gulfport police after he wrecked the car trying to pass two other vehicles. Parker was later charged with jail escape and grand larceny for the incident.

According to Sims' complaint, he "suffered grave injuries and damages" in the accident, which he says were the direct result of the "grossly negligent" acts and "reckless disregard" of the sheriff's department, because officers had not taken steps to prevent Parker from either escaping or procuring alcohol.

Sims is seeking a jury trial and unspecified financial relief for "physical and emotional injuries, loss of earning capacity, loss of earnings, medical expenses, pain and suffering and other consequential damages."

Magic

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around a New Orleans theme. The buffet remodeling is scheduled to be completed by May and will remain open throughout the remodeling.

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Penn National intends (subject to certain conditions) to complete its previously announced acquisition of CRC Holdings, Inc. and the minority interest in Louisiana Casino Cruises, Inc. (LCCI) not owned by CRC. LCCI owns and operates the Casino Rouge, a riverboat gaming facility in Baton Rouge, Louisiana and CRC has a management contract for Casino Rama located in Canada on the Chippewas of Mnjikaning First Nation land.

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SPORTS

State champs, again!

OLA Crescents grab the gold again, shutting out St. Andrews Saints to win second consecutive state soccer championship

BY MAURICE SINGLETON
Contributing Writer

Our Lady Academy Crescents soccer team captured the state 3A-2A-1A state championship with a 2-0 shutout over the St. Andrews Saints in Clinton on Saturday afternoon.

The win yesterday gives the Crescents their second consecutive state championship and the first for first-year head Coach Christi Elias.

Elias was just as cool and calm after the game as she was before it started ... until she was doused with the celebratory cooler of water.

"The team's effort has been outstanding all season," Elias said. "Our motto is to 'Never let anyone outwork you.' We have outworked our opponents all season, and that's what allowed

In the state semi-final contest last Wednesday, OLA shutout Mercy Cross 2-0 in Yankee Stadium at Biloxi. Emily Meyers and Ashley Chrisman scored on assists from Kara Harshbarger and Rachel Cranford. Ellen Ladner had the shutout in goal.

us to be victorious today."

The Crescents scored in each half.

Julie Reboul capitalized on a corner kick from Emily Meyers for the first score at the 15:31

mark of the first period.

Lauren Goulet scored the insurance goal on an assist from Rachel Cranford with 10:16 remaining on the game clock.

The Crescents defended well, too.

Goalie Ellen Ladner made several key plays, including a big save on a St. Andrews penalty kick.

"Today, she really stepped it up and saved the game for us," Elias said.

The Crescents went into yesterday's game with a 23-1-1 record, including wins over the two teams playing in the state 4A - Pearl and Oak Grove.

The 12 players to see action in the contest were Clare Adam;

Mikki Kenny; Ashley Chrisman;

Kara Harshbarger; Jill Rutherford; Laura Ellis; Rachel Wright; Jane Covington; Camille Covington; Rachel Cranford; Aaren Lasseigne; Julie Reboul and Kara Harshbarger; back row,

Coach Christi Elias; Lauren Forte; Lauren Goulet; Missa Chapoton; Katherine Milner; Emily Meyers; Jennifer Coote; Brett Walsh; Jill Rutherford; Mikki Kenny and Coach Steve Reboul.



OLA Crescents

Members of the OLA Crescents soccer team include, front from left, Colleen Kirby, Kay Pourjali, Ashley Chrisman, Ellen Ladner, Nikki Harshbarger, Ellen Dauterive and Kira Reaver; middle row, Kate Moran, Clare Adam, Laura Ellis, Rachel Wright, Jane Covington, Camille Covington, Rachel Cranford, Aaren Lasseigne, Julie Reboul and Kara Harshbarger; back row, Coach Christi Elias, Lauren Forte, Lauren Goulet, Missa Chapoton, Katherine Milner, Emily Meyers, Jennifer Coote, Brett Walsh, Jill Rutherford, Mikki Kenny and Coach Steve Reboul.

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Rocks lose in semi-finals

ECHO STAFF REPORT

For the second year in a row, the St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws have reached the state high school soccer semi-finals only to fall to the Oak Grove Warriors.

This was the third meeting this season between the two powerhouse teams, The Rocks

won a 1-0 decision in Bay St. Louis and the Warriors took a 1-0 win in Oak Grove.

Friday night at North West Rankin High School, Oak Grove took the rubber match 2-1. The Rock's only goal came with just a few minutes left in the game when Peter Doty scored on a

pass from Michael Leonard.

Last year, the two teams split in regular season play before the Warriors won 1-0 in the semi-finals to eliminate St. Stanislaus. Coach Andy Kivlan's team ends the season as South State runner-ups with a record of 17-6-2.

Co-Lin sweeps Pearl River Wildcats

Pearl River Community College was swept by rival Copiah-Lincoln in men's and women's South Division basketball action Thursday.

The Wildcats, 17-6 overall and tops in the men's division race at 9-1, suffered their first league setback with a lopsided 87-67 decision to the Wolves, while the Lady Wildcats, 12-10 and 5-5, lost by a score of 69-56 for the second time this season to the nationally-ranked and undefeated Lady Wolves. Co-Lin's men improved to 16-5 and 6-4, while its No. 6 women, the South Division leaders, improved to 21-0 and 10-0.

Pearl River managed to tie the score twice in the opening minutes, but Co-Lin broke a 6-6 deadlock four minutes into the contest and never looked back. Brannon Barfield's slam dunk in the final minute of the half put Co-Lin up 54-29 at the intermission.

Trailing by 25, PRCC opened

the second half with four quick points, but Co-Lin answered with a 22-17 run over the next 11 minutes to grab its biggest lead of the night, 30 points at 76-46. PRCC's Zeke Davis scored six points in the final minute-and-a-half.

In the women's game, the Lady Wildcats went up 8-0

early, then grabbed a 10-point lead at 22-12 with 9:05 left before intermission. But the Lady Wolves answered with a 12-2 run to tie it up at 24-24, then took the lead for good at 31-30 with 2:50 left in the half. Co-Lin led 33-30 at the half.

Mindy Livadais sank a free

throw in the final seconds for

the game's final point to give

Co-Lin its biggest lead of the

night - 13 points at 69-56.

Freshman Dee Flenory of North Forrest led PRCC with 13

points and a game-high 11

rebounds, while sophomores

Lori DeSilvey, Jessica Pucheu

(seven rebounds), and Mindy

Ladner, all of Hancock County, scored 12, 11, and 10 points, respectively. Freshman Brandi

Ladner of Hancock added four, while freshman Millie Graves of Bassfield and sophomores Quinisia Hatten of North Forrest and Sarah Nabours of Poplarville (five rebounds)

scored two a piece.

Pearl River eyes back-to-back division match ups to end its regular season: East Central in Decatur Monday and Mississippi Gulf Coast in Poplarville Thursday. The women's tip offs are set for 6 p.m., followed by the men's at 8 p.m.

The 2001 men's and women's South Division Tournament will be played Feb. 19-22 at Southwest in Summit. The men's winner of the event will host the State Tournament Feb. 26-27. The Region 23

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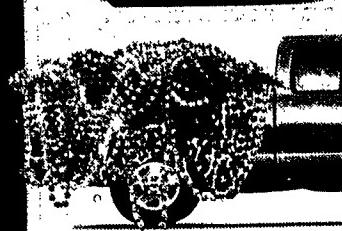


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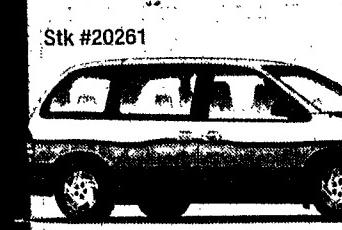
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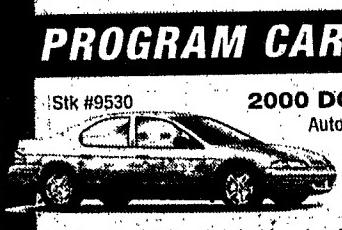


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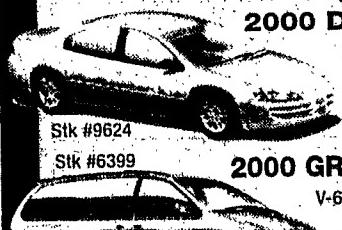


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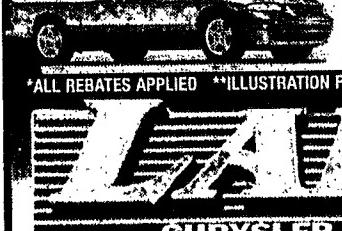


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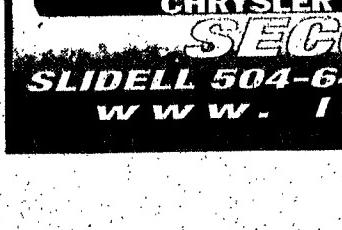


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SPORTS

SSC/Columbia game cancelled; seniors honored

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws' game with the Columbia Wildcats at the Brother Peter Memorial Gymnasium was cancelled on Friday, February 9, due to bad floor conditions in the gym about five minutes into the game. The game will not be rescheduled due to the fact that the outcome of the game would not affect the seedings of the Division 7 Class 4A tournament.

Five Hawk players sign to play college football in 2001

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The Hancock Hawks had five players sign to play football at the next level on Wednesday, February 7. It was the first day that high school seniors could sign National Letters of Intent to play football next season for a college team.

Two offensive linemen, a receiver, a running back, and a defensive lineman will take the next step on the gridiron after a stellar 9-3 season in 2000.

Josh Ladner (5-10, 270lb) and Jake Wilson (6-0, 210lb) both will play football for the Millsaps Majors next year in Jackson. Millsaps, a Division III school and member of the Gulf South Athletic Conference, does not award scholarships for football only. The two received merit awards based on scholarship and leadership ability but will play on the collegiate level next season.

Chris Goff (6-0, 200lb), Patrick Cannon (6-1, 185lb), and Oren Lewis (6-3, 255lb) will all play their next two years of football with the Pearl River Community College Wildcats in Poplarville.



set to begin in Oak Grove on Monday, February 12.

The cancellation of the game was agreed upon by coaches, officials, and school administration in the best interest of the players.

The junior varsity was played on the floor prior to the varsity game with SSC winning 50-42. The Rocks had four players in double figures. Brian Butler and Josh Washington led the team with 11 points each fol-

lowed by Darius Acker and Brett Ammond with 10 points each. Toddereck Whalum led the Wildcats with 17 points.

SSC took a 15-9 lead after the first period only to see that lead dwindle to 28-27 by halftime. The Rocks pushed the lead back to eight points 40-32 in the third and held the margin in the final period.

The SSC junior varsity finished the season with an overall record of 17-4.

Prior to the start of the varsity game, SSC paid tribute to their seniors on the team. The seniors were escorted by their parents to halfcourt where they received a commemorative basketball from head coach Jay

Ladner. The seniors are Hunter Dawkins, Brandon Acrement, Jason Santiago, Mike Ryan, Lee Howard, Grady Willis, and Grayson Timidaiski.

These seniors currently sport a 22-9 record for SSC. This marks a third consecutive 20-win season after recording 29 wins in 1999-00 and a school record 31 wins in 1998-99. Over the course of the past three seasons these seniors have won 82 games against just 21 losses. Other accomplishments are three consecutive Mayor's Cup wins, a Division 7 Class 4A championship in 1999-00, and two consecutive South State playoff bids.

Dupuy picks up win at PRCC

Pearl River Community College's Wildcats picked up their first victory of the 2001 baseball season here Thursday, taking a 12-7 win in the nightcap of a doubleheader with Alabama Southern.

Oren Lewis was a punishing defensive tackle and quickly found his way into the opposition's backfield. He recorded 76 tackles on the defensive line,

including 22 tackles for loss. He scored two defensive touchdowns for Hancock in 2000.

However, the most impressive statistic on Lewis is his five blocked kicks. He proved that he has the power to win the point of attack and the closing

of the play.

Lewis, Goff, Ladner, and Wilson were all members of the All-Sea Coast Echo first-team while Cannon was an honorable mention member.

Good luck to these Hawk players as they move on in their football careers and represent Hancock County!

In the nightcap, Alabama

Southern went up 2-0 in the bottom of the first, then added solo runs in the third, fourth, and fifth, then two in the sixth. The Wildcats, who managed only four hits in the contest, scored their only run in the top of the second.

Freshman left fielder Justin

Bird of Humboldt paced Pearl River with a triple, while sophomore Wesley Louque and freshman Rusty Crosslin, both of Lutcher, La., and freshman Blake Munna of Poplarville all singled.

Freshman Jonathan Mitcham of North Forrest (0-1) was charged with the loss in his five innings on the mound. Freshman Josh O'Flynn of Petal saw two innings of relief duty. Both teams committed three errors each.

In the nightcap, Alabama

Southern went up 2-0 in the bottom of the first, but PRCC closed the gap with a solo run in

the second. After two-and-a-half, it was 3-1 ASCC, but the Wildcats rallied for four and took the lead for good in the top of the third.

Leading 5-3, Pearl River padded its lead to 8-3 in the top of the fourth frame, but Alabama Southern tightened the gap to 8-7 with a four-run effort in the bottom of the fifth. The Wildcats iced its first win with four runs in the final inning.

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PRCC signs 4 county football players

Pearl River Community College signed 25 high school football standouts to grant-in-aid scholarships for 2001 football season.

The signees include; Jason

Santiago, 5-11 170 quarter-

back from St. Stanislaus, Patrick Cannon, 5-10 150 wide receiver; Chris Goff, 6-0 200 runningback and Oren Lewis,

6-3 255 defensive lineman all of Hancock High School.

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15 points while Chase Cuevas and Kael Peterson each scored 10 points to round out the double figure scorers. Peterson added seven rebounds and six assists to his game totals.

Johnny Johnson led Purvis with 17 points.

Hancock will play in the Division 7 Class 4AS tournament next week in Oak Grove on Tuesday, February 13, at 8:30 pm against the Warriors.

Hawks slam Purvis 74-45

The Hancock Hawks defeated Purvis on Tuesday, February 6, in Kiln by the score of 74-45.

The Hawks exploded for 21 points in the third period and held Purvis to seven points to seal the victory.

Jason Phillips of Hancock recorded a double-double with 10 points and 10 assists in the contest. Cody Ladner added 17 points and eight rebounds in the game. Zach Nelson scored

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TIFFANY KURTZ
PATRICIA LOISEL
BRENDA A. SCELSON
STANLEY L. TAYLOR
FELICE TRANCHINA, JR.
JEANNE K. WARNER

L. ANTOINE JR.

Lawrence E. "PaPa" Antoine Jr., 73, of Pass Christian, died Monday, Feb. 5, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mr. Antoine was a native of DeLisle and a resident of Pass Christian. He was an Army veteran and was a laborer with the Gulfport Creosote Plant for a number of years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence E. Antoine Sr. and Georgia M. Antoine Henry; and two sisters, Ethel Dorothy Antoine and Linda Stevens.

Survivors include his stepmother, Ethel Antoine of Picayune; two brothers, Richard Antoine of New Orleans and Ronald Antoine of Picayune; and a sister, Elizabeth Antoine of Picayune.

Services were conducted Friday at Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church in Pass Christian. Burial was in Old DeLisle Cemetery.

J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

ROBERT ROY EHLIN

Robert Roy Ehlin, 63, of Long Beach, died Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2001, in Biloxi.

He was a native of Chicago, Ill. and a resident of Long Beach for the past 13 years. He was a Veteran serving in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

He is survived by a brother and sister.

A graveside service will be held Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2001 at 11:30 a.m. at Biloxi National Cemetery, Biloxi.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

TIFFANY KURTZ

Tiffany Nicole Kurtz, 17, of Pass Christian, died Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2001, in Gulfport.

Miss Kurtz was born in Milton, Fla. and was a longtime resident of Pass Christian. She was an honor roll student at Harrison Central High School and was a member of Faith

Assembly of God Church in Kiln.

Survivors include her father, Max Kurtz of Picayune; her mother and stepfather, Diane Dorman Ber and Tim Ber of Pass Christian; three brothers, David, Robert and Matthew Kurtz, all of Pass Christian; a half-sister, Jennifer Kurtz of Picayune; a stepbrother, T. J. Ber of Slidell; her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dorman of Pass Christian, Mr. and Mrs. John Ber of Marrero, and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Kurtz of Milton; and a great-grandmother, Sophia Triplett of Ocala, Fla.

Visitation was Saturday at Riemann Memorial Funeral Home, US-49 North, Gulfport.

Services will be conducted today at 2:30 p.m. at Faith Assembly of God Church in Kiln, where friends may call one hour before service time.

Burial will be in Gulf Pines Memorial Gardens in Long Beach.

PATRICIA A. LOISEL

Patricia A. Loisel, of Waveland, died Friday, Nov. 9, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Loisel was a homemaker, native of New Orleans and a resident of Waveland for the past five years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Melville and Pauline Thompson; her husband, Eugene A. Loisel Sr.; her son, Melville Loisel; granddaughter, Sabrina Loisel; and a brother, Harold Anderson.

Survivors include sons Eugene Loisel Jr. and Pete Loisel; daughters, Belinda, Paulette and Tanya Loisel; brother, Wayne Thompson; grandchildren, Eugene II, Amy, Jeremy, Mindy, Brandon and Zachary Loisel; Ashley Anderson and Richard Oxman III; and godchildren, Janet McQueen and Ryan Gagnon.

A funeral mass will be held in the chapel of Jacob Schoen and Son, at 3827 Canal St. in New Orleans on Tuesday, Feb. 13, beginning at 11 a.m. Friends may visit Tuesday after 9 a.m. Interment will follow at Lakelawn Mausoleum.

Brenda A. Scelson, 52, of Bay St. Louis, died Monday, Feb. 5, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Services are pending at

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

STANLEY L. TAYLOR
Stanley Leroy Taylor, 99, of Biloxi and formerly of Natchez, died Tuesday, February 6, 2001, in Biloxi.

Mr. Taylor was born March 31, 1901, in Pass Christian, the son of Samuel Laird Taylor and Julia Bohn Taylor who were the proprietors of the Aerodrome Theatre and the Kozy Shoppe on Front Street in Pass Christian.

He was graduated from Pass Christian High School where he played on the All-State Championship Basketball Team in 1917-1918. Mr. Taylor served as Commodore of the Pass Christian Yacht Club and was elected councilman-at-large for the City of Pass Christian.

He was teller for the Hancock Bank and was a real estate agent in Pass Christian. In 1934 he married Elizabeth Winston Blain of New Orleans and Pass Christian. In 1938 he moved to Crosby, Miss. and owned and operated motion picture theatres in Crosby, Gloster, and Liberty, Miss. In 1958 he and his family moved to Natchez, where he owned and operated the Baker Grand and Clark Theatres, and later the Tracetown Twin Cinema.

During this period he was president of the MG Motion Picture Theatres Owners Association. His community activities in Natchez included membership in the Pilgrimage Garden Club, and charter memberships in The Downtown Coffee Club and the Belwood Country Club.

He also served as a volunteer for the Stewpot in Natchez. He was a longtime member of Trinity Episcopal Church before moving in 1998 to Biloxi to live with his son, and once again

attended services at Trinity Episcopal Church of Pass Christian, where he was baptized as a child.

Mr. Taylor was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Elizabeth Winston Blain Taylor; and a brother, Audley Taylor.

Survivors include a son, Stanley L. Taylor, Jr. and his family of Biloxi; his nephew, Audley Taylor, Jr. and his family of Atlanta, Ga.; and his cousin, Dorothea Bohn Lazarre of New Orleans.

Visitation was Friday and Saturday at Kuehne Hall at Trinity Episcopal Church.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at Trinity Episcopal Church. Burial followed in Natchez City Cemetery under the direction of Laird Funeral Home.

The family requests memorials be made to Stewpot, 69 East Franklin Street, Natchez, MS or Ochsner Hospital Foundation, 1516 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans, LA 70121.

FELICE TRANCHINA, JR.

Felice Tranchina, Jr., 86, of Pass Christian, died Thursday, Feb. 8, 2001, in Pass Christian.

Arrangements are incomplete at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

JEANNE K. WARNER

Jeannie K. Warner, 81, died Wednesday, Jan. 17, in St. Louis, Mo.

Mrs. Warner had lived in Bay St. Louis for 22 years and was an artist, teacher and business administrator.

Survivors include two sons, Ray Warner of Beaumont, Texas, and Mike Warner of St. Louis; a step-daughter, Clair Warner Post of Metairie, La., and three granddaughters.

A memorial service was held Saturday, Feb. 10 at St. Rose de Lima Church in Bay St. Louis.

Mississippi Coalition for Survivors of Homicide Victims plans retreat

The Mississippi Coalition for Survivors of Homicide Victims is sponsoring a weekend retreat, called A Beacon of Hope, in Canton, located north of Jackson, March 30-April 1.

The Coalition is an organization of service providers, advocates and victims throughout Mississippi who provides services and support to homicide families.

The Beacon of Hope weekend retreat is to assist survivors in coping with the loss of their loved one to a criminal act. Attendees must be at least age 5 or older.

Workshops will be provided that are designed especially for homicide-related issues which families face on a daily basis. Sessions will include information on victims' rights, compensation program, dealing with the justice system, anger, faith and forgiveness, buried grief, getting through those difficult days such as birthdays and anniversaries as well as many more topics. Separate activities

including grief resolution will be provided for children ages 5 and up.

Cost of the weekend retreat is \$45 per person. This fee includes lodging at the Duncan Gray Conference Center for two nights and all meals.

Registration begins Friday, March 30 at 4 p.m. Friday night will be a time of getting to know one another and some fun activities. Saturday is devoted to attending workshops and networking with other retreat attendees.

Saturday night a campfire and marshmallow roast is planned, and Sunday morning a special memorial/vigil will be held in the chapel on the retreat grounds. The retreat is planned for 100 attendees and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

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Our thanks to Mr. Edmond Fahey and all of his staff, who were so nice to us.
Thanks to Mrs. Norma Stiglet for her kindness.
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BUSINESS NEWS

**Grand opening**

Oregon's Family Restaurant, 720-B Highway 90, Waveland, celebrated its grand opening with a ribbon cutting this Wednesday. The restaurant features seafood, steaks and po-boys and is open Monday through Saturday. Taking part in the ribbon cutting were Leeann Whiddon, left, Sandy Lafontaine, Jay Lagasse, Waveland Mayor Tommy Longo, Brittany Tamborella, owners Dale and Angela Tamborella, Dale Tamborella III, Kathy Tamborella, Shelly Matherne, Dusty Rhodes, and others.

Credit Union promotes, adds new personnel

Connie Ziz joins Keesler Federal Credit Union as the Administrative Assistant to Branch Operations. She will assist the Vice President of Branch Operations in the organization of the ten branch offices of Keesler Federal Credit Union. Ziz is a graduate from the University of Southern Mississippi and has seven years of credit union experience.

Marissa Trochesset is the coordinator for Members Financial Services. She began with Keesler Federal Credit Union as a teller at the Pass Road branch. As the coordinator she is responsible for overseeing the daily operations for the investment representative. MEMBERS Financial Services provides credit union members financial analysis tailored to their specific needs.

Lynn Rife joins Keesler Federal Credit Union as an Assistant Internal Auditor. Rife has seven years of credit union experience. She began as a teller with Keesler Federal Credit Union in 1996 and worked for Heritage Trust Federal Credit Union in Charleston, S. C. before returning to Keesler Federal Credit Union.

Dewanda Smith has been promoted to Assistant Manager for Member Service. Smith has been the Senior Member Services Representative since 1995. Her responsibilities include assisting the Manager of Member Service with daily operations and management of the call center representatives. Smith is a participant in the American Association of Christian Counselors and a graduate of Texas Bible College located in Houston, Texas.

Sonya Fernandez has been promoted to Floating Loan Officer for Keesler Federal Credit Union. She has four years of financial experience and began with the credit union in 1998 as a Financial Service Representative serving as a



loan consultant to members. She is active in KNS Theater Gulfport Little Theater and Biloxi Little Theater.

Lori Young has been promoted to Financial Services Representative for the Express Lending Department. She began with Keesler Federal Credit Union in 1999 and has four years financial experience working as a teller and a loan processor. Her primary responsibility is to assist members with the loan application process.

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Wallace R. Barr, executive vice president of the company, has been named Co-Chief Operating Officer of Park Place and President of the company's Eastern Casino Group. Barr, 55, is responsible for oversight of Park Place's gaming operations in the eastern United States, including the company's ten casinos in New Jersey, Mississippi, Indiana and Louisiana, as well as the company's international operations, including casinos in Australia, Canada, South Africa and South America.

Clive S. Cummins, executive vice president - law & corporate affairs and corporate secretary of Park Place, has been named to the additional position of Vice Chairman of the Board of Park Place.

Mark R. Dodson, executive vice president of the company, has been named Co-Chief Operating Officer of Park Place and President of the company's Western Casino Group. Dodson, 38, will be responsible for oversight of the company's gaming operations in the western United States, including the company's nine casinos in Las Vegas, Reno, Lake Tahoe and Laughlin, as well as the supervision of senior corporate executives responsible for company-wide marketing, technology and operations analysis.

Scott A. LaPorta, executive vice president and chief financial officer of Park Place, will undertake the responsibility for the company's corporate development and merger-and-acquisition activities, while continuing his oversight of the company's financial affairs, including corporate finance, treasury, tax and investor relations.

In their new positions, all of these executives will continue to report to Thomas E. Gallagher, President and Chief Executive Officer of Park Place.

Anthony J. Brolick, senior vice president - administration

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of the company, has been promoted to the newly created position of Senior Vice president - Marketing. In this new position, Brolick, 50, will be responsible for the supervision at the corporate level of all marketing activities of Park Place and its related brands.

His responsibilities will also include supervision of casino marketing, which is conducted through the company's Caesars World Marketing subsidiary. In his new capacity, he will report to Mark Dodson, newly appointed Co-Chief Operating Officer of Park Place.

Thomas J. Brosig, president of the company's mid-south region, has been named Senior Vice President-Administration. Brosig, 51, will be responsible for supervision at the corporate level of the functions of architecture and design, construction, procurement, and retailing, as well as community relations.

In addition, he will oversee the company's proposed consulting relationship with the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe in connection with the operation of the tribe's Akwesane casino in northern New York State and the company's plan to develop and manage a new casino for the Tribe in Sullivan County, NY, ninety minutes north of New York City. In his new role, he will report to Tom Gallagher, president and CEO of Park Place.

Brosig joined the company following the acquisition of Grand Casinos Inc. by Park Place in December 1998. He was one of the initial founders of Grand Casinos in 1990, and served as its President and CEO from 1996 to 1998. Prior to that time he was an executive in the retail industry.

Additional information on Park Place Entertainment can be accessed through the Company's 24-hour investor relations service. Individuals may call toll-free 877-PPE-NYSE (877-773-6973) or visit www.parkplace.com to obtain the latest Company news and stock price information, or to request informational by email, fax or postal mail delivery.

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COMPANY/SYMBOL	LAST PRICE	WEEKLY CHANGE
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AT & T/T	22.1	- 1.28
AUTOZONE INC/AZO	24.77	- 1.02
BELLSOUTH/BLS	42.85	+ 1.35
BOEING/BA	57.34	+ .49
CALGON CARBON/CCC	7.20	+ .70
CHEVRON CORP/CHV	85.89	+ 3.47
COCA COLA/KO	60.14	+ 2.40
CSX CORP/CSX	30.81	+ .31
DUPONT/DD	41.99	- .26
FRIEDE GOLDMAN HALTER, INC	6.01	- .16
GENERAL ELEC/GE	45.66	- .62
GOODYEAR TIRE/GT	23.96	- 1.60
HANCOCK HOLDING CO/HBHC	37.06	- .31
INTL BUSINESS MACHINE/IBM	112.32	+ 2.05
INTL PAPER CO/IP	36.60	- 1.92
K MART CORP/KM	8.42	- .41
LOCKHEED MARTIN/LMT	36.13	- .27
PARK PLACE ENT/PPE	11.47	+ .27
PEOPLES FINANCIAL/PFBX	15.75	.50
MCDONALDS CORP/MCD	29.76	+ .33
REGIONS FINANCIAL/RGFR	29.93	+ .18
ROCKWELL INTL CORP/ROK	45.24	- 1.79
SOUTHERN COMPANY/SO	30.19	+ 1.46
TENNECO INC/TEN	3.65	- .09
UNION PLANTERS/UPC	38.59	- .23
WAL MART STORES/WMT	50.40	- 4.36
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Multi-age, front row from left, Andrew Giveans and Courtney Patterson; back row, Natalie Thompson, Joshua Williams and Allison Hegler.



Multi-age, front row from left, Carlissa Coffey, Allie Salas and Madeline Lewis; back row, Jordan Pursley, Lizzie Tenney, Sam Tenney, Devon Narcisse and Steven Swaner.



First grade, front row from left, Alexandra Rogers, Bria Williams, Heidi Klinberger and Keistine Collins; back row, Vince Lafontaine, Gabrielle Hearndon, Jonathan Hoenig and Trevor Foy.



Second grade, front row from left, Hallee Ladner, Katelin Cross and Princess Harrison; back row, Kimberly Carver, Trevor Wilkerson and Stuart Foot.



Third grade, front row from left, Chad Broadhead, William Chisholm, Katheline Lam and Rosemary Gooding; back row, Richard Mauffray, Kristian Lyons, Gabrielle Whitcomb and Sarah Rihner.



Kindergarten, front row from left, Aaron Nall and Sarah Perniclaro; back row, Amella Dupuy-Nelson, Ashley Carr, Connor Lowry and Colby Kroft.

CITY COUNTY COMMUNITY EDUCATION SCHEDULE

REGISTRATION - AT SCHOOL SITE

HANCOCK HIGH SCHOOL (HHS) Administration Office 5:00-6:30 PM

February 5, 12, & 19

BAY HIGH SCHOOL (BHS) Administration Office 5:00-6:30 PM

February 8, 15, & 22

TELEPHONE REGISTRATION

February 5 - 22 (Weekdays) 9:00 am - Noon and 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Telephone: (228) 467-3892 (Visa/Master Card Only)

Registration for courses offered at Hancock High and Bay High will be accepted at either location.

COMPUTER COURSES (CPT)

Computer Basics - Beginner CPT100-HHOIW: (Level 1) No experience needed. Fear your computer no more. Begin by learning how to turn on your computer. What are programs, software, hardware? What is a mouse, clicking and double-clicking? Learn about desktops, files, windows, printers and more. Instructor: Janice Mowbray, HHS. Tuesdays in Room A1 11, 5:00-7:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$55 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.)

Computer Basics - Beginner CPT100-HHOIW: (Level 1) No experience needed. (See description above). Instructor: Janice Mowbray, HHS. Tuesdays in Room A1 11, 7:00-9:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$55 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.)

Computer Keyboarding - CPT103-BH01W: (Level 1) No experience needed. Begin your computer training by developing keyboarding expertise. Build your technology skills in order to take advantage of the local workforce shortage. Instructor: Tula Carver, BHS - Thursdays in Room 27, 7:00-9:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$55 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.)

Windows 98/95 - Introduction CPT202-HHOIW: (Level 2) Intro to Windows 98 and basic skills needed to manage applications and files efficiently in Windows 95 environment. Instructor: Yvette Richard, HHS - Mondays at Vo-Tech Center - Admin Bldg, Room 5, 5:00-7:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$55 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.) (Text - \$10 paid to instructor.)

Windows 95 - Introduction CPT202-BH01W: (Level 2) You will learn basic skills needed to manage applications and files. Instructor: Yvette Richard, BHS - Thursdays in Room 1, 5:00-7:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$55 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.) (Text - \$10 paid to instructor.)

Windows 95 - Introduction CPT202-BH01W: (Level 2) (See description above) Instructor: Yvette Richard, BHS - Thursdays in Room 1, 7:00-9:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$55 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.) (Text - \$10 paid to instructor.)

Microsoft Word 97 - Introduction CPT303-HHOIW: (Level 3) Instructor: Yvette Richard will teach how to work with text, paragraphs, insert pictures, and use drawing tools to create documents. HHS - Mondays at Vo-Tech Center - Admin Bldg, Room 5, 7:00-9:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$55 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.) (Text - \$10 paid to instructor.)

Internet Navigation - Intro. CPT 309-HHOIW: (Level 3) Learn how to find information and use Internet services (including E-mail). Instructor: Janice Mowbray, HHS - Mondays in Room A1 11, 5:00-7:00 p.m., for 3 weeks. (Class will meet Feb. 19, Mar. 5, & Mar. 12) Fee = \$55 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.)

Internet Navigation - Intro. CPT 309-HHOIW: (Level 3) (See description above) Instructor: Janice Mowbray, HHS - Mondays in Room A1 11, 7:00-9:00 p.m. for 3 weeks. (Class will meet Feb. 19, Mar. 5, & Mar. 12) Fee = \$55 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.)

Computer Photography CPT310-HHOIW: (Level 3) (Prior computer experience required) You will learn the digital world of photography, including scanning, basic computer image manipulation, and digital printing - using Adobe PhotoShop on PCs. Instructor: Richard Perkins, HHS - Tuesdays at Vo-Tech Center - Admin. Bldg., Room 5, 5:00-7:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$35 (Supply fees: for film/processing/print.)

PowerPoint 97 - CPT307-HHOIW: (Level 3) (Prior computer experience required) Learn the step-by-step process of creating a professional computer presentation, which is so important in today's technology education. Instructor: Marlene Ladner, HHS - Tuesdays at Vo-Tech Center - Admin. Bldg., Room 5, 7:00-9:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$55 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.)

Desktop Publishing- Beyond the Basics CPT409-BH01W: (Level 4) (Prior computer experience required) Learn the skills used to create your own posters, newsletters, cards, etc. using PageMaker-desktop publishing program. Instructor: Mal Mowbray, BHS - Thursdays in Room 27, 5:00-7:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$55 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.)

Excel 97 11 CPT506-HHOIW: (Advanced - 10 weeks) You will learn the essential skills in spreadsheet development. Course teaches how to create worksheets, ranges, charts, graphs, formulas, and combine worksheets. Develop advance computer competence & entry-level employability skills that are in demand in today's work force. HHS - Thursdays at Vo-Tech Center - Admin. Bldg., Room 5, 6:00-9:00 p.m. for 10 weeks. Fee = \$90 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.)

Microsoft Word 97 11 CPT503-HHOIW: (Advanced 10 weeks) Course is designed to develop knowledge and skills for personal competence and successful entry level employment in today's workforce. Instructor: Jan Jerrill, HHS - Wednesdays at Vo-Tech Center - Admin. Bldg. Room 5, 6:00-9:00 p.m. for 10 weeks. Fee = \$90 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.)

Computer Aided Drafting/Design CPT510-HHOIW: (Advanced 10 weeks) Learn to produce Prototype Drawings using the computer in the AutoCAD environment. Instructor: Daryl Ladner - HHS - Tuesdays at Vo-Tech Center - Technology Discovery Bldg., Room 602E, 6:00-9:00 p.m., for 10 weeks. Fee = \$90 (Lab fee - \$5 paid at registration.)

Metal Trades I (Introduction) VOT101-HHOIW: No experience needed. Course is designed to introduce the learner to the building trades (carpentry, masonry or plumbing). Shop tools and some supplies will be provided. The student will provide materials for individual projects. Instructor: Charles R. Thomas will discuss individual projects on the first night of class. HHS - Tuesdays & Thursdays at Vo Tech Center - Metal Trades Shop, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. for 10 weeks. Fee = \$120

Welding I (Introduction) VOT301-UH01W: No experience needed. Course is designed to teach fundamentals of Welding (Combination). Students will supply some tools from a list provided by the instructor. The student will also supply materials for individual projects. Instructor: John Cranner will discuss individual projects on the first night of class. HHS - Tuesdays & Thursdays at Vo Tech Center - Welding Shop, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. for 10 weeks. Fee = \$120

Hancock County Hospitality Academy Announces New Training Course

Community Education in partnership with Hancock County Tourism

Development Bureau & Hancock County Chamber of Commerce offers the following course to individuals & businesses:

Tourism, Lodging, Restaurant Management 1: VOT401-HHOIW No experience needed. Course is designed to prepare adult students for entry-level positions in various careers in the hospitality industry or to enter advanced studies in Hospitality Management. Instructor: Cherie Labat will conduct classes in the new Lodging & Hospitality Training Facility HHS - Mondays at Vo Tech Center - Food Service Bldg., 6:00 - 9:00 for 10 weeks. Fee = \$90.

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Your Path to Home Ownership FIN105-HHOIW: (FREE) Study the aspects of home selection, financial planning for home buying, mortgage application process, and protecting your new home investment. Learn how much you can afford to pay and complete preliminary loan application for a new home. Instructor: Darlene Underwood, Hancock County Home Economist. HHS - Mondays in Room C 109, 7:00-9:00 p.m. for 4 weeks (Classes will meet Feb. 19, Mar. 5, 12, & 19). \$35 Tuition Fee provided free to the public by Whitney Bank. Registration required. Class size limited.

EXERCISE/DANCE/MUSIC (EDM)

Aerobics (Low-Impact)/Dance Movement: EDM101-HHOIW: Join Erlinda Nye, professional instructor, in a (low-impact) blend of dance, yoga, & Meditative movements from the East, including Tai Chi, Chi Gung, and even a touch of Tae Kwon Do. Wear loose comfortable clothes. HHS - Mondays in Room 302, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25.

Aerobics (Low-Impact)/Dance Movement: EDM101-BH01W: (See description above). Instructor: Erlinda Nye, BHS - Thursdays in Room 7, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25.

Yoga EDM103-HHOIW: Learn basic yoga terms, philosophy, posture, breathing, stretching & relaxation techniques. Bring an exercise mat. Instructor: Sally Weber, HHS - Mondays in D Bldg., Stage Area, 5:30-7:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25.

Yoga EDM103-BH01W: (See description above). Instructor: Nancy Stravinsky, BHS - Thursdays in Fine Arts (Stage) Bldg, 6:00-7:30 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25.

Introduction to Ballroom Dancing EDM120-BH01W: Learn to Rumba, Swing, Waltz, Fox Trot, & Cha-Cha. No experience needed. Partner not required. Hard sole shoes recommended. Instructor: Rachel Johnson, BHS - Thursdays in Fine Arts (Stage) Bldg, 7:30-9:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25.

Introduction to Ballroom Dancing EDM120-HHOIW: Learn to Rumba, Swing, Waltz, Fox Trot, & Cha-Cha. No experience needed. Partner not required. Hard sole shoes recommended. Instructor: Rachel Johnson, HHS - Mondays in D Bldg., Stage area, 7:30-9:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25.

SPECIAL INTERESTS (SPI)

Cake Decorating - Basic SPI104-BH01W: Learn techniques of icing, flowers, leaves, and borders from instructor, Janice Mowbray. BHS - Thursdays in Library (Room 4), 6:00-8:30 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25. Basic decorating kit = \$11 (est.), purchased first night from instructor. Additional supplies to be purchased from instructor's list = \$15 (EST).

Castnet Making SPI105-BH01W: Make your own net. Then have your instructor, Bill Jackson, teach you the fine art of throwing it over a "mess of mullets." BHS - Thursdays in Room 11, 6:00-8:30 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$35 (Supplies = \$20.)

Calligraphy SPI126-BH01W: Learn to use basic methods and strokes to design and make placards, envelopes and labels. Mal Mowbray, Instructor. BHS - Thursdays in Room 28, 7:00 - 9:00 for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25 (Supplies: materials purchased first night from instructor = \$5 EST.)

Flower Arranging- (Beginner) SPI110-BH01W: Learn basic florist techniques using fresh/silk flowers. Take home a weekly work of art. Expert Florist: Barbara Crawford. BHS - Thursdays in Cafeteria, 6:00-8:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25. (Supplies = weekly supplies purchased by student from instructor's list.)

Flower Arranging- (Beginner) SPI110-BH01W: (See description above). Instructor: John R. Adams of Adams Lorraine Flower Shop, BHS - Thursdays in Art Bldg., Room 51, 6:30-8:30 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25 (Supplies = weekly supplies purchased by student from instructor's list.)

Introduction to Portraiture - SPI150-BH01W: Professional Portraitist Richard Perkins teaches the art of photographing people. The course will include: camera operation, film & proper exposure to lightening & location photography. Class sessions will include actual photo shoots to practice your skills. BHS - Thursdays in Room 12, 5:00-7:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$35 (Supplies: camera & film)

Furniture Upholstery - Intermediate SPI115A-HHOIW: Prerequisite: Completed Furniture Upholstery (beginner) course or previous upholstery experience. Professional Upholsterer, Juanita Shiyou, teaches how to upholster a medium-sized project (sofa, chair, or loveseat). Student must have access to sewing machine for homework. Bring project to be upholstered first night of class for instructor's approval. HHS - Mondays at Vo-Tech Center, Agri-Science Dept., 5:30-8:30 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$45 (purchase materials from instructor's list)

Genealogy/Family History SPI112-HHOIW: Investigate and appreciate your family history. Increase your skills in seeking details of your family roots, including Internet searching. Instructor: June Ames. HHS - Library in Career Center, 5:30-8:30 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$35 (Supplies = student study packet purchased from instructor - \$8)

"Magin" Culinary Carving SPI101-BH01W: Norma Watzke of Casino Magin will teach you to carve unique food presentations. Cut fruit, vegetables, and other food items into flowers, birds and wishing wells. BHS - Thursdays in Cafeteria, 6:00-8:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$35 (purchase weekly food items from instructor's list)

Needlepoint - Beginners SPI128-BH01W: Begin a new hobby! Make a simple project by learning the introductory steps using plastic (larger openings) canvas. Instructor: Chris Adams, BHS - Thursdays in Room 4, (Library), 5:00-7:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25 (supplies to be purchased from instructor's list)

Stained Glass - Introduction SPI117-HHOIW: Learn the art of stained glass using "Lead came" or "copper foil" technique. Complete a project. Judi Marks, Instructor. HHS - Mondays in Room C104, 6:00-9:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25 (Kit = \$60 glass/supplies for project purchased from instructor, first night of class)

Stained Glass - Introduction SPI117-BH01W: (See previous description) Judi Marks, Instructor. BHS - Thursdays in Room 23, 6:00-9:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25 (Kit = \$60 glass/supplies for project purchased from instructor, first night of class.)

Broadcasting (Radio) SPI118-BH01W: Introduction to radio media with class instruction/on-air broadcast. Local radio personality Bennieta Hatchett, Instructor. BHS - Thursdays in Room 5, 5:30-8:30 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$35 (Supplies = \$25 EST.) (Classes for weeks 2-6 will meet at WBSL-station).

LANGUAGES (LNG)

Sign Language - (Introduction 1) LNG 104-BH01W: Learn basic vocabulary along with an understanding of deafness and an awareness of the variations within the language. Crystal Lancon, Instructor. BHS - Thursdays in Room 8, 5:00-8:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$25 (Text = \$30 - "The American Sign Language Phrase Book" by Lou Fant.) (Students will purchase text at a bookstore.)

Spanish I LNG101-BH01W: Introduction to conversational Spanish with emphasis on travel dialog. Kathy Muir, Instructor. BHS - Mondays in Room 22, 7:00-9:00 p.m. for 6 weeks. Fee = \$30 (Text = \$16 - Barron's "Learn Spanish the Fast and Fun Way.") Students will purchase text at a bookstore.)

If you are interested in teaching or would like a particular course offered, please call the Community Education Office (228) 467-3892.

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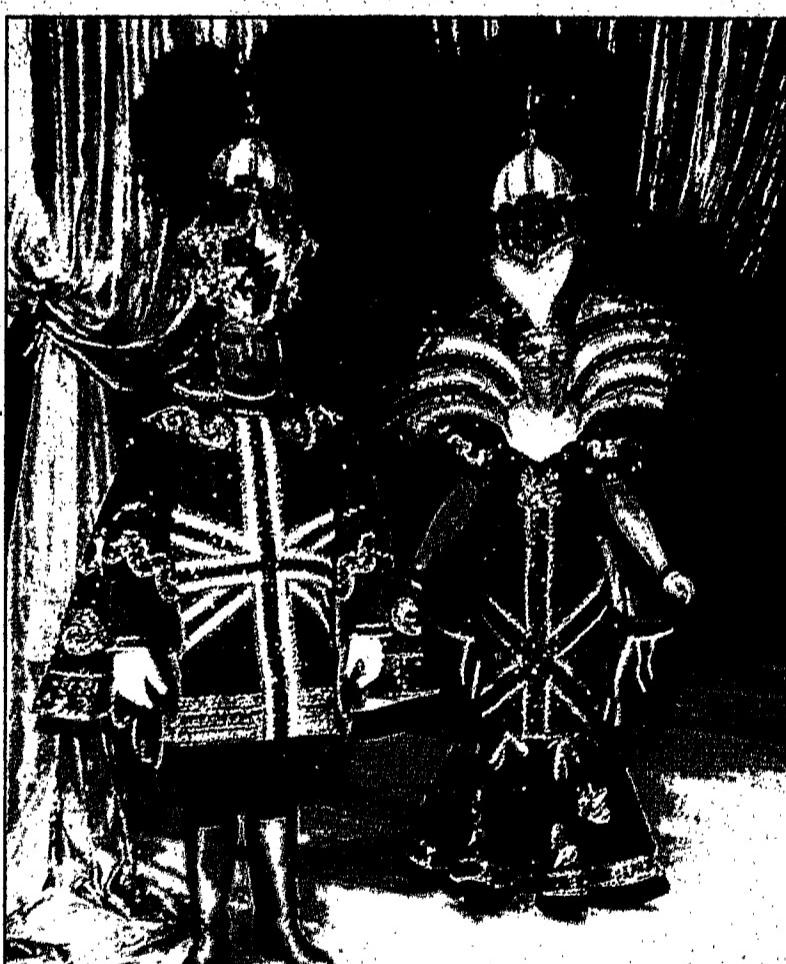
Captain of the Krewe of Nereids.



"Turkish" dancers entertain the royal Krewe of Nereids at its 35th annual ball masque Saturday.



Duke Mark Breland and Maid.



Duke Lloyd Nicaud and Maid.

The Krewe of Nereids presented "All Aboard the Orient Express," its 35th Bal Masqué, Feb. 3 in the Mississippi Coast Coliseum. Nereids' parade will be Sunday, Feb. 18, at 1 p.m. (Complete details on Page 4B)

Photos by James Wedworth Photography



Queen Doris XXXV and King Nereus XXXV



Duke Herbert Dubuisson Jr. and Maid.



Duke Vincent Altese Jr. and Maid.



Duke Walter G. Billups and Maid.



Duke Ronnie Artigues Jr. and Maid.

What's for Lunch?

Feb. 12-16

Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District Chef Salad, Milk and Condiments served daily BREAKFAST

Monday: Pancake and Sausage Stick, Assorted Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

Tuesday: Sausage and Biscuit, Assorted Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

Wednesday: Grits and Hash Browns, Assorted Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

Thursday: Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Assorted Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

Friday: Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Assorted Cereal, Toast, Juice

LUNCH

Monday: Pepperoni Pizza, BBQ Pork on Bun, Whole Kernel Corn, Baked Beans, Fresh Apple, Tropical Fruit Mix, Rice Krispie Treat

Tuesday: Chili and Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Steak Sandwich with Trimmings, Coleslaw, Peas and Carrots, Chilled Peach Slices, Orange Smiles, Macaroni and Cheese, Crackers, Chewy Fudge Brownie

Wednesday: Red Beans and Rice with Sausage, Chicken Sandwich with Trimmings, Seasoned Potato Cuts, Seasoned Green Beans, Fresh Banana, Strawberry Blend, Mexican

Cornbread

Thursday: Chili Cheese Fritos, American Sub Sandwich, Buttered Peas, Carrot Sticks with Dip, Fruit Cocktail, Fresh Fruit Bowl, Jeff-O Cake

Friday: Beef Patty with Rice and Gravy, Sloppy Joe, Seasoned Lima Beans, Garden Salad with Dressing, Pear Slices, Applesauce, Yeast Roll

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BREAKFAST

Monday: Chicken Pattie Biscuit, Juice

Tuesday: Egg Biscuit, Juice

Wednesday: Breakfast Pizza, Juice

Thursday: Ham, Biscuit, Juice

Friday: Cheese Toast, Juice

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Weddings & Engagements



Mr. and Mrs. Jason Abney

Abney-Melancon wed in Oct.

Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis was the setting for the ceremony on October 21, 2000, uniting in marriage Reagan Melancon and Jason Abney.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Melancon of Kiln. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Abney of Slidell. Father Cuthbert "Cuddy" O'Connell officiated the double-ring ceremony.

Given in marriage, by her father, the bride chose a designer formal A-Line gown made of chiffon. The bodice featured a square neckline with details of pearls and brocade lace. Her veil, hand-made by her aunt, was elbow length with scattered pearls. Her bouquet consisted of long-stemmed calla lilies.

As a prelude to the wedding, pianist Joey Davis of Picayune played various selections of music. Soloist, Donna Drummond of Picayune sang the "Ave Maria" and the "Prayer."

Readings for the ceremony were given by Kim Spiers of Picayune and Tina Thompson of Burlington, N.C., cousins of the bride.

Aunt of the bride, Sherry Overton of Picayune, served as matron of honor. Serving as maid of honor was Danielle Lind of Kiln, friend of the bride.

Bridesmaids were Candace Jones, cousin of the bride of Virginia Beach, Va.; Dr. Kari Reeves, friend of the bride of Christianburg, Va.; Allyson Melancon, sister-in-law of the bride of Baton Rouge; Kimberly Ray, friend of the bride of Kiln; and Jennifer Richards, friend of the bride of Kiln.

Serving as junior bridesmaids were Meghan Taylor, cousin of the bride of Burlington, N.C. and Jhea Barrios, cousin of the bride of Bedico, La.

Perkins-Jacobi to marry

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Hayden Perkins, Junior, of Jackson announce the engagement of their daughter, Allyson Gayle Perkins, to Mr. James Davenport Jacobi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Albert Jacobi of Ridgeland.

The bride-elect is the maternal granddaughter of Mrs. Leland Dean Gebhart, Senior, of Meridian and the late Mr. Gebhart, and the paternal granddaughter of Mrs. Maynette Perkins Stephens of Greenwood and the late Mr. Davis Hayden Perkins, Senior.

Miss Perkins is a 1993 graduate of Jackson Preparatory School, and she received a bachelor of arts degree from The University of Mississippi. She also holds a master of science in speech pathology from Ole Miss.

While at Ole Miss, she was a member of Delta Delta Delta Sorority, Golden Key National Honor Society, Gamma Beta Phi National Honor Society and on the Dean's List. Miss Perkins is also a member of the Mississippi Debutante Club of Jackson and the Pushmataha Chapter of the DAR. She is associated with DeKalb County Schools in Atlanta as a speech-language pathologist.

The prospective bridegroom is the maternal grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Yale Stansbury, New Orleans, and the paternal grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Louis John Jacobi, Bay Saint Louis.

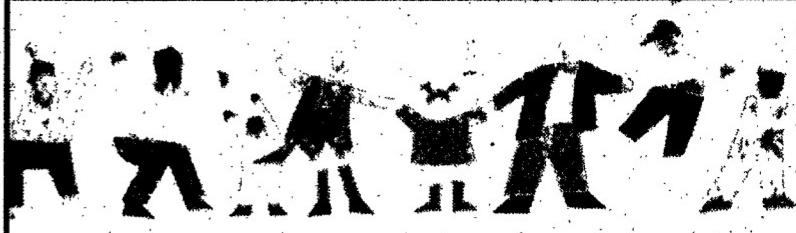
Mr. Jacobi is a 1992 graduate of Jackson Academy and



Allyson Perkins

received a bachelor's degree in landscape architecture from Mississippi State University. He is a member of Kappa Alpha Order. Mr. Jacobi is associated with Reece, Hoopes and Fincher, a land planning and landscape architectural firm in Atlanta, Georgia.

The couple will exchange vows March 31 at 6 p.m. at Christ United Methodist Church in Jackson.



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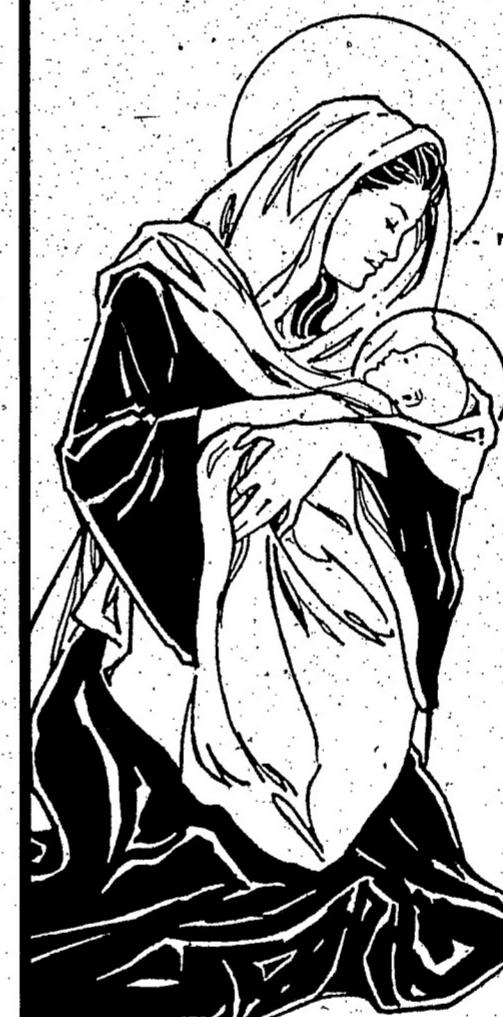
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Another Viewpoint

(I wrote two columns recently about some casual observations I had made about the birds Stella and I have found live with us here along the coastal waters of the Mississippi Sound. One column was on the eastward flight in the early morning of pelicans that I have noticed on most mornings. "Two eggs over easy, with toast on the side," Sunday, 5 November 2000. The other column was a more sober one; dealing with the natural mortality of what takes place around us - "Death of a Grebe," last Sunday, 4 February. I emailed them to an ornithologist friend and asked him if he had any thoughts about what I had written. I thought that it would be interesting to provide another viewpoint than mine on these things and so, with his permission, I present his reply to me.)

Paul,
You have a sharp eye for noticing things. I think you might even make a good ornithologist.

In your column about the pelicans and their rush for their breakfast: Your reasoning about the Fresnel reflection makes sense to me, though I don't know if any ornithologists have ever studied that aspect of pelican feeding behavior.

I will mention two things to consider: 1) Some birds can see into the ultraviolet spectrum, though I'm not aware of pelicans ever being tested for this ability. I'm not an expert on light reflection so I don't know if this would allow them to see further into the water during Fresnel reflection than one might think. 2) Although probably not relevant, I'll also mention that some birds can apparently detect the plane of polarized light. This ability is thought to function as a naviga-

tional aid.

As for the birds' daily rhythms: Birds have an excellent hard-wired internal clock/calendar. Studies have shown that even if birds are deprived of natural changes in day length, they will still undergo physiological changes associated with the changing seasons (e.g. they will molt their feathers, they will deposit fat for migration, etc.).

But studies also show that birds need to adjust their clock/calendar using external stimuli such as changing day length and the movement of the sun across the sky. In fact one researcher designed a study that allowed his birds (kept indoors in a lab) to adjust the amount of time that the room would have light. He did this by teaching the birds to use a specially designed light switch that they could turn on and off. He found that the birds would change "day length" to fit what their internal clock was telling them. In natural settings, birds do the opposite.

Numerous studies have also been done to show the effects of the sun's position on bird behavior. Something the researchers call clock shifting. Most of these studies deal with using the sun as a navigational tool, but it also relates to "telling time."

In natural settings, birds use the position of the sun (and landmarks) to find their way, e.g. to and from roosting and feeding areas. Homing pigeons kept in labs have been exposed to an artificial day that is clock-shifted 6 hours later, i.e. lights come on at 12:00 midnight and go off at 12:00 noon. They are fooled into thinking it is later in the day than it really is. When it's 6:00 am real time, the birds think that it's 12:00 noon.

When these birds are released outdoors at 6:00 am, they should fly in the direction of home. Instead the birds headed in the wrong direction, 90 degrees away from home. This 90-degree shift corresponds exactly to the 6-hour clock shift. The birds would be heading in the right direction of home, if it were noon. Their movements correspond to "experimental time" and not real time. Evidence shows that birds are not born with this ability to judge compass direction from the sun, but learn it.

The remarks about the boil of water in the Strait of Gibraltar was fascinating. Although much bird behavior is hard-wired, they must still learn a great deal to survive. And learning to find and acquire food is certainly high on the list of priorities. There is tons of evidence that birds can learn both the spatial and temporal distribution of food resources and can "devise" new ways to acquire foods.

Case in point: A small bird (I believe it was a Blue Tit) in 1930's England learned how to open milk bottles left on doorsteps. He not only learned how to open the bottles, but also when and where the bottles would show up. The bird would follow the delivery truck down the street and attack the bottles as soon as the delivery person was gone.

What's really fascinating about this behavior is that over the years other Blue Tits and 11 other bird species in the same vicinity started opening milk bottles. Within a few decades this behavior was widespread

Views From a Front Porch

by Paul Estranza La Violette
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across England. The birds were learning from each other.

As to your Grebe story: I know firsthand the difficulty in believing someone can identify birds at such great distances. But I have also seen firsthand that experienced birdwatchers can identify species from the overall shape, pattern of flight, and other behaviors that can be seen from great distances. But still I'm often skeptical.

Some of the early ecologists would use the phrase "nature is red in tooth and claw." It sometimes astonishes people that something so wondrous and beautiful is also brutal.

Nature is a struggle for survival and completely unforgiving of weakness. Whether that weakness is due to heredity, illness, injury or age doesn't matter. Death may appear suddenly as teeth, claws, talons, a moving vehicle or slowly as disease, poisoning, starvation, freezing rain. Recall reading a passage from a textbook that went something like this, "on all sides and at all times birds are surrounded by threats to their lives."

The fact is that few birds die of old age. Mortality is concentrated in young inexperienced birds, but for many species even adult birds have only about a 50/50 chance of surviving any given year.

I've enjoyed your books and stories very much and look forward seeing more. Hope this helps.

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The collar was complemented by her red velvet and red lace dress, with six-inch gold bangles dangling from the cap sleeves and a headpiece to match. As the tableau unfolded, a series of music and dance extravaganzas displayed the excitement, romance and intrigue of European cities from Paris to Istanbul.

Reigning as Queen of Nereids, Doris XXXV was stunning in her gown of black lace with rhinestones and Austrian crystals. The dress was accented with black velvet and regal rhinestone appliqués with silver beaded fringe falling from the sleeves.

Her train of black velvet had a wide silver rhinestone border and was trimmed in gold and other mirrored embellishments. A collar of black velvet with ostrich plumes, rhinestones and floral appliqués completed her ensemble.

Following the Nereids tradition, the identities of the queen and her maids are never revealed. The costume of King Nereus XXXV matched in design that of Her Royal Highness.

In a salute to the fabulous cities of Europe, the maids and

dukes on the 2001 royal court represented the destinations that have long captured the imaginations of travelers aboard the Orient Express.

The maid representing "The Alpine Glacier of Innsbruck, Austria," wore a gown of sky blue and white with a princess neckline. It was trimmed in iridescent sequins arranged in a snowflake pattern with a large snowflake medallion in front.

Her color-blocked train of blue and white was adorned with a "petal" motif, while her collar and headpiece carried out the snowflake theme with matching blue plumes.

The "Roman Forum" was recalled as the second maid appeared in a gladiator-style gown of emerald green and fuchsia with a self train embellished by a decorative chariot design.

She wore a gladiator belt with Roman panels and a collar of fuchsia plumes surrounded by gold sequined leaves. The headpiece exemplified Roman architecture, and was complemented by emerald green plumes with a touch of fuchsia.

The third maid portrayed the "Carnivale in Venice" in a purple gown with multi-colored sequins in a masquerade design. A multicolored carnival mask and harlequin design, accented by purple plumes, enhanced both the collar and headpiece, bringing to mind the splendor of carnival in this magical and intriguing city.

It was on to London as the fourth maid was presented in her red, white and blue gown reflecting the British flag. The "Union Jack" design was reflected on her collar, while the Tower of London was displayed on her headpiece. Royal blue plumes accented both pieces, creating a stunning vision of British patriotism.

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God uses the means of a book to reveal Himself. That book is the Bible. "All Scripture is inspired by

God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness" (2 Timothy 3:16).

God uses faithful servants who tell others about Christ from the Bible. "How will they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how will they hear without a preacher?" (Romans 10:14).

God also uses the means of His word to change our lives. "You have been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring word of God" (1 Peter 1:23).

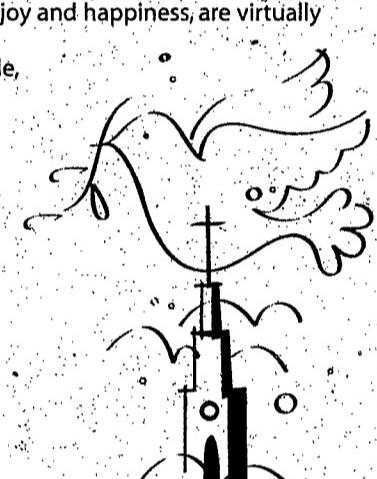
You use the appointed means to remodel your house. Take advantage of God's appointed means. He will remodel your life.

Being a Peacemaker

Part of the "Sermon on the Mount" which our Lord taught His disciples was, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God." In the Bible, there is a great deal written about peace. Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give you" (John 14:27). He told us to "Be at peace with each other" (Mark 9:50). It seems that peace and love go together; you can't have one without the other. Being a peacemaker is not always easy. We realize this world is not paradise; therefore, we will always have to contend with conflicts and strife. Still, a peacemaker treats others with respect and consideration and honors God's word of treating others as they would want to be treated. Peace and love, along with joy and happiness, are virtually impossible without God. But, with our Lord Jesus all things are possible, and through Him we should strive to live at peace with everyone.

Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification.

N.I.V. Romans 14:19

**Gospel concert to feature Kristian Booth Sunday, Feb. 18**

Southern gospel music artist Kristian Booth will be in concert at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 at Trinity Baptist Church, 156 Camellia Street in Biloxi.

Booth is one of Southern gospel music's newest solo artists. His debut single, "He Was Always There," was recently sent to 1200 radio stations all

over the world and became a top 70's hit on the Southern Gospel Music Charts.

Booth will be accompanied in concert by pianist Betty Brelan.

Admission is free, and the event is open to the public. A love offering will be taken.

Herb and Garden Fest is March 24 and 25

The Herb and Garden Fest, March 24 and 25 in Ocean Springs is a free festival offering garden tours through local home and area gardens, including herb and plant identification with lectures on growing and using plants.

"Enjoy incredible regional live music and shop outstanding vendors for plants books, fine art, garden art, herbal crafts and products and ethnic foods. Indulge in two days of accessing healing arts specialists and take a walk through our labyrinth while you

children participate in all kinds of activities and fun," said spokesperson Margaret Miller.

The event is put on by volunteers of the Ocean Springs Chamber of Commerce—Main Street located in downtown Ocean Springs. Hours are 9-5 Saturday and 10-4 Sunday.

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Dr. Eric Nelson, assistant professor of history, USM Gulf Coast, has been awarded \$4,900 for a study titled, "Negotiating Religious Peace in the Post-Reformation World: the King, the Jesuits and the French Church (1594-1615)."

Nelson is one of 17 Southern Miss professors who will share more than \$60,000 for a variety of academic and research projects.

The 17 USM professors are winners of 2001-02 grants provided by an endowment established by President Emeritus Dr. Aubrey Lucas.

His work will take him back to Paris and Rome where he will complete his research from archives.

"I am truly grateful for the opportunity to finish a book that has the ability to generate some good visibility for Southern Miss in Europe because of its publishing location – Paris," Nelson said.

Students at St. Paul Catholic School in Pass Christian take a break from learning with a little dancing and fun Jan. 30 in celebration of Student Appreciation Day.

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Activities that day began with an assembly where all the students gathered in the gymnasium for a sock-hop and refreshments. The school also held open registration throughout the week. This registration was open to all students 3 and 4 years old through sixth grade for the 2001-2002 school year.

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AARP Tax-Aide is a volunteer program administered through the AARP Foundation in cooperation with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

The volunteers provide assistance preparing income tax returns and to claim all the income tax credits including the Child and Dependent Care Credit, the Child Tax Credit, the Earned Income Credit, the Education Credits, and the Credit for the Elderly and Disabled.

Free tax preparation assistance is offered at approximately 60 Tax-Aide locations in Mississippi, including senior centers, libraries, community centers and other convenient locations. Electronic filing is also available at many sites.

Daniel says taxpayers should bring their last year's return and any financial documents pertaining to 2000 taxes with them when visiting a site for tax assistance.

To locate a Tax Aide site nearest you call, toll free, 1-800-338-3167 or 1-888-227-7669.

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TOPS MS 307 Waveland met Wednesday, Feb. 7 at the Waveland Public Library with 11 members present.

Rhonda was the week's best loser with 6 1/2 pounds. Geri was top KOPS, and Paula received the incentive award and the raffle.

Rhonda lost six weeks in a row and was January's best loser with 15 1/2 pounds. Marie was runner-up and the quarter's best loser. Next runner-up was Ann.

Desarae, Jean, Paula, Rhonda, Ruth, and Sherrie received perfect attendance recognition for the quarter.

The club also met Jan. 31 with 10 members present.

Rhonda was the week's best loser with 7 1/2 pounds. Paula was top KOPS, and Marie received the incentive award. Sherrie won the raffle.

The chapter meets every Wednesday at the Waveland Public Library. Weigh-ins are 4:30-5:15 p.m. with the meeting following.

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500 yards from beach. 467-6742

56 Services Offered

COMPANION: MATURE MEDICALLY

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58 Lawn & Garden

A CALL TO CHARLIE'S LAWN & YARD service: for free estimates. Grass cutting, weed eating, trash hauling, etc. Call anytime. (228)467-1577 or (228) 467-4266.

GRASS CUTTING, TRIMMING, CLEAN-UP, cutting & pruning of trees, hauling trash away, also painting. Call 467-5626. Very reasonable rates.

RELIEVING LAWN SERVICE: YARDS cut, trimmed. References and free estimates. Call 467-2304.

66 Child Care

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73 Help Wanted

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MANAGER TRAINEE

84 Lumber Company is looking for career-minded individuals for our Manager Trainee program in the Waveland Area.

We are seeking dedicated individuals who are looking for a career that includes:

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- management

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73 Help Wanted

HELP WANTED: EXPERIENCED & DEPENDABLE carpenter's helper. 586-2014 or 463-0831.

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83 Items For Sale

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84 Furniture

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84 Furniture

136 Automobiles

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1995 CHEVY BLAZER, BLACK W/GRAY interior, fully loaded, ps, antilock brakes, power windows, 74,000 miles. \$11,000. Jimmy Stockstill Motors, Picayune. 800-798-9133.

METAL ROOFING/SIDING - 6 COLORS avail. to 24ft. length. 38" wide-28 ga. 99¢ sq. ft. Colors. \$1.19 ft. V-crimp & corrug. 64¢ ft. Ridge cap, rake & corner, pullins" \$1.00 ft. Roofing/Siding from \$14.90 sq. ft. Warehouse Sales, Slidell. La. Exit 263 I-10. (800)842-6646.

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136 Automobiles

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146 Rooms For Rent

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PERFECT HOME for the first time buyer or investor. 3BR, 1BA presently being remodeled, large lot with circle drive, lots of shrubs. Additional property available. Call Jackie MLS#115277.

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147 Apartments For Rent

148 Mobile Homes For Rent

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Pass Christian area with well and septic.
Owner financing. \$500/down. Call
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158 Commercial Property

DOCTOR OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE
1200 sq. ft. next to Hancock Medical
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FOR RENT: 1200 SQ. FT. COMMERCIAL
building. Downtown Bay St. Louis.
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LAND. GOOD location, heavy traffic.
small building. 504-286-3819 leave mes-
sage on recorder.

FOR SALE OR LEASE: HWY 603 AT
Twin Bayou, 1 acre, excellent business
locations. 500' w/l, 150 on the Hwy zoned
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High traffic count & visibility. 342-
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prices. Call Todd 255-7992.

159 Houses For Sale

2 AFFORDABLE HOMES IN WAVE-
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Good agents wanted.

2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, RECENTLY re-
modeled in Cedar Point, fenced yard.
\$75,000. 342-0358, 463-1259.

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TON, for lease \$550 or for sale \$58,000.
Owner to help with finance if needed.
504-392-4126.

3/BEDROOM, 2/BATH, 1700 SQ. FT.
HOME on large fenced lot in Waveland.
\$98,500. 463-9987.

New Custom Built

4 Bedroom Home

\$142,000 (2443 sq.ft.)

Located in exclusive
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H/A. Walk to Gulfview School.
Minutes from beaches, shopping
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Asking \$68,500
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air/heat, all appliances. Porch & deck.
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ALL, new 2/br, 1/ba, \$75,000. 463-9102
or 504-837-2605.WATERFRONT HOME \$75,800. 3/BR,
could be 4/br, 2 bath on 50x12 ft. lot,
fenced, minutes to Jourdan River. New
heat/air, new stove, refrigerator, fireplace,
ceiling fans, skylights w/porch, storage
room, central sewer, water-well. Gold
Coast Realty, 467-4479.

Public Notices

BID ADVERTISEMENT
Sealed bids will be received by the Hancock County
School Board in the office of the Superintendent, 17304
Highway 603, Kilm, MS 39556 until Thursday, March 1,
2001 at 10:00 A.M. for the following:

BAND UNIFORMS

Specifications may be obtained at the Office of Super-
intendent or by calling Lynn Nease at (228)255-0376
or faxing request to (228)255-0378. All bids should
be sealed and marked plainly on the outside of the sealed
envelope. **BID ENCLOSED FOR BAND UNIFORMS**The Board reserves the right to waive irregularities and
to reject any and all bids.Mike Ladne
Superintendent of Education
2/11/21/2001IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPIIN THE MATTER OF THE DECEASED
CARROLL E. GLINDMEYER, deceased.

No. 2000-490

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letter of Testimony having been granted on the 30
day of June 2000, by the Chancery Court of Hancock
County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executor on
the estate of Carroll E. Glindmeyer, deceased, notice is
hereby given to all persons having claims against said
estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for
probate and registration according to the law within
ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of
this notice or they will be forever barred.

THIS 8th day of February, 2001.

JOYCE B. GLINDMEYER
Executor
2/11/21/2001

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPIMISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
VERSUSTHIRTY NINE THOUSAND TEN DOLLARS
(\$39,010.00) IN U.S. CURRENCY

(BENJAMIN PENA)

Civil Action, File No. 00-0418

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: BENJAMIN PENA

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in

this court by the State of Mississippi, ex relato Mississip-

pi Department of Public Safety, Plaintiffs, seeking

forfeiture of Thirty Nine Thousand, Ten and 00/100 Dollars

in United States currency (\$39,010.00).

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written re-
sponse to the Clerk of this Court, against whom the action
is brought, to Clerk of Court, Hancock County, Mississippi,
Post Office Box 1180, Gulfport, Mississippi, 39502, and
whose street address is 1801 23rd Street, Gulfport,
Mississippi 39501.YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIV-
ERED NO LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS.IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIV-
ERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFALCATION WILL BE EN-
TERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER
RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.You must also file the original of your response with
the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 1
day of Feb, 2001.

(Seal)

Pamela T. Metzler
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT,
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

By: Karen L. Ruhn

2/4, 2/11/21/2001

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPIIN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
DESMAL C. SMITH, JR., DECEASED

DESMAL C. SMITH, Petitioner

SUMMONS

CAUSE NUMBER: 00-0918

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

THE KING AND UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW

OF DESMAL C. SMITH, JR., DECEASED; AND ANY
OTHER PERSON CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR

INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF DESMAL C.

SMITH, JR., DECEASED

You have been made a defendant in the lawsuit filed in

this Court by DESMAL C. SMITH, JR., Executor.

The Petition filed against you has initiated a civil action

seeking to have ROBIN C. SMITH, RANDALL A.

SMITH, SERENA SMITH AND DESMAL C.

SMITH adjudicated and decreed by the court to be the

sole and only heirs at law of ROBIN C. SMITH, JR.,

DECEASED. You also have been made a defendant in the

Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the

petition filed against you for the money or other

things demanded in the petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading;

you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED under my hand and the seal of said Court on this 1
day of JAN, 2001.

(Seal)

TIMOTHY A. KELLER
CHANCERY CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

BY: L. SCARBOURGH D.C. DATED: 1/25/2001

1/28, 2/4, 2/11/2001

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

CHRISTOPHER WAHLIS, PLAINTIFF

VERSUS

JOHN W. CONRAD, JR. IF, LIVING, IF NOT, HIS UN-
KNOWN DEVISEES, WEIRS OR ASIGNS: MIKE

MOORE, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSISSIPPI;

TIM A. KELLER, CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK

COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; AND DAVID C. COOPER, DIS-
TRICT ATTORNEY OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSIS-
SIPPI; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS, FIRMS,
OR CORPORATIONS, HAVING OR CLAIMING TO
HAVE ANY TITLE, RIGHT OF INTEREST IN THE
SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS

CAUSE NUMBER: 00-0900

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: JOHN W. CONRAD, JR. If, living, if not, his un-
known devisees and assigns, and not to be found in
the State of Mississippi, where he resides, and in
any place where he may be found, and in any
other place, firm or corporation having or claiming
to have any title, right or interest in and to the
subject real property, whose identities and last known
places of residence, street and post office addresses
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Entertainment

Community Arts School sets spring music courses

A number of new and improved music classes will be offered this spring through the University of Southern Mississippi's Community Arts School.

Sponsored by USM's Department of Continuing Education and Distance Learning and the College of the Arts, the Community Arts School offers a wide variety of non-credit classes. The scheduled music classes for the spring include:

- Basic Blues and Jazz Guitar Method for ages 12 and up will help students take a hands-on approach to learning the fundamentals of blues and jazz.

The private lessons will cover an interesting and informative study of styles, ranging from Delta blues to jazz bebop. Lessons will be held in arranged, one-hour sessions now through March 4.

- Music play classes will engage young children, birth through 4, and their caregivers in creative, informal and playful music and movement activities.

Three sections will be offered. Section 1 for birth through 2 1/2 years will be held 1:30-2:15 p.m., Tuesdays. Section 2 for

birth through 2 1/2 years will be held 10:30-11:15 a.m., Saturdays. Section 3 for 2 1/2 through 4 years will be 9-10:15 a.m., Saturdays. Tuesday classes run between Jan. 16 and March 20, and Saturday classes through March 24.

- Musicians class for children ages 3-5 who have previously been enrolled in Music Play classes. Returning families should call Dr. Reynolds at (601) 266-6944 for more information.

- USM Civic Orchestra (formerly USM Repertory Orchestra) will provide

ages 16 and up. Lessons are now through April 23. For further information or to receive a tuition table and registration form, call Kaye Chambliss, Community Arts School, at (601) 266-4985.

- USM Suzuki School (formerly Suzuki Strings for Young Children) is a class for children as young as 3 years old, who can learn to play a string instrument through the Suzuki or "mother tongue" method.

Each student will participate in both weekly private lessons and monthly group lessons. The Suzuki School includes: Level 1-A Young Musicians which is a prerequisite for all other classes, Level 1 Pre-Twinkles, Level 2, Levels 3-10, Note Reading, Fiddling and Parent Orchestra.

For more information about the Community Arts School classes, contact USM's Department of Continuing Education and Distance Learning at (601) 266-4186 or visit the website at www.cice.usm.edu/ce.

Instruction is available on all musical instruments. Voice lessons are available to those,



Paul Anka

Paul Anka scheduled at Beau Rivage

Legendary entertainer and songwriter Paul Anka will bring his song stylings to Beau Rivage Friday, Feb. 16 at 8 p.m. in the Beau Rivage Theatre.

With more than 900 songs to his credit, including "Put Your Head On My Shoulder," "My Way" and the now famous theme from "The Tonight Show starring Johnny Carson," Anka is the only artist to have a record on Billboard's Top 50 charts for five consecutive decades.

Recently inducted into The Songwriters Hall of Fame, Anka's LP and single sales collectively number more than 42 million worldwide.

Tickets for the performance are \$29.95 plus tax. For ticket information, contact the Beau Rivage Ticket Office at (888) 566-7469.

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Aquarium offers 'Flora Fantasia'

From sea lettuce to moss animals, "Flora Fantasia" will provide an opportunity to learn how to identify coastal plants and plant look-alikes Feb. 17 at the Scott Aquarium in Biloxi.

Plant expert Cynthia Moncreiff will lead the 2-3 p.m. family program, which will examine coastal and dune plants, their importance and the folklore that surrounds them.

Moncreiff is a University of Southern Mississippi assistant professor at the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory.

Family adventures continue Saturday, March 10, with an introduction to moray eels.

"Flora Fantasia" and "Mesmerizing Morays" are free with Scott Aquarium membership or paid admission to the aquarium.

The aquarium is part of the Southern Miss Institute of Marine Sciences. For information call 228-374-5550.

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Masters at the Lauren Rogers Museum

Imagine standing in the company of such giants in the field of visual arts as Jacob Lawrence, whose colorful and powerfully distorted figures depict African Americans doing highly skilled work: watchmakers, carpenters, cabinetmakers and shoe repairmen.

There is Elizabeth Catlett, renowned sculptor and printmaker whose images of Black women express power, grace and inherent dignity.

Hughie Lee-Smith's use of middle values and semi-surreal design charges his enigmatic paintings with a strong emotional impact that borders on melancholy.

And there is John Biggers, Benny Andrews, Samella Lewis, Richard Mayhew, Romare Bearden and many others whose powerful images record universal truths expressed through the life and culture of African Americans.

In recognition and celebration of the accomplishments and contributions of African American artists to the arts and society at large, Lauren Rogers museum in Laurel called upon the expertise of Stella and Harry Jones of Stella Jones

Gallery, 201 St. Charles Ave. in New Orleans to serve as curator for the artists mentioned above.

The show will open to the public in a reception to be held Feb. 15, 7 p.m., at the Lauren Rogers Museum in Laurel.

Since opening in 1996, Stella Jones Gallery has become one of the nation's premier and most prestigious galleries specializing in African American art of the highest quality.

The gallery fulfills its educational goals through lectures, panel discussions, intimate gallery talks and exhibitions with the artist in attendance.

The Stella Jones Gallery takes very seriously the responsibility of providing collectors, both private and corporate, with art that is high in aesthetic quality and strong in investment potential.

The gallery is equally motivated to raise the aspirations of African American youths by providing them with a better understanding of their heritage through the visual arts.

The Stella Jones Gallery

endeavors to be an important site of both cultural and economic development in the local, national, and international arts

Winnie the Pooh auditions

WINGS Performing Arts of the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center will hold auditions for a spring production of the musical *Winnie the Pooh*.

Auditions are Sunday, Feb. 18 from 12-2 p.m. and Monday, Feb. 29, 5-7 p.m. Production dates are April 24, 26, 28 and 29. Performances will take place outside in the Lynn Meadows Hundred Acre Wood Treehouses. Thirty roles are available for ages six through

young adult. Young musicians are also needed. Those auditioning should prepare a song. A tape/CD player and a keyboard will be available. The play will be directed by Tonya Sanders Hays and Melanie Harris.

For more information about the production, WINGS Performing Arts classes or to schedule your class to attend a performance of *Winnie the Pooh*, call Tonya Hays at 897-6039 ext. 22.

The original work is the

property of the White House collection.

Pearson is an accomplished portrait and mural painter. He also has works on display at Gulfside Assembly in Waveland and Jere's gallery on Pass Road, Gulfport.

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